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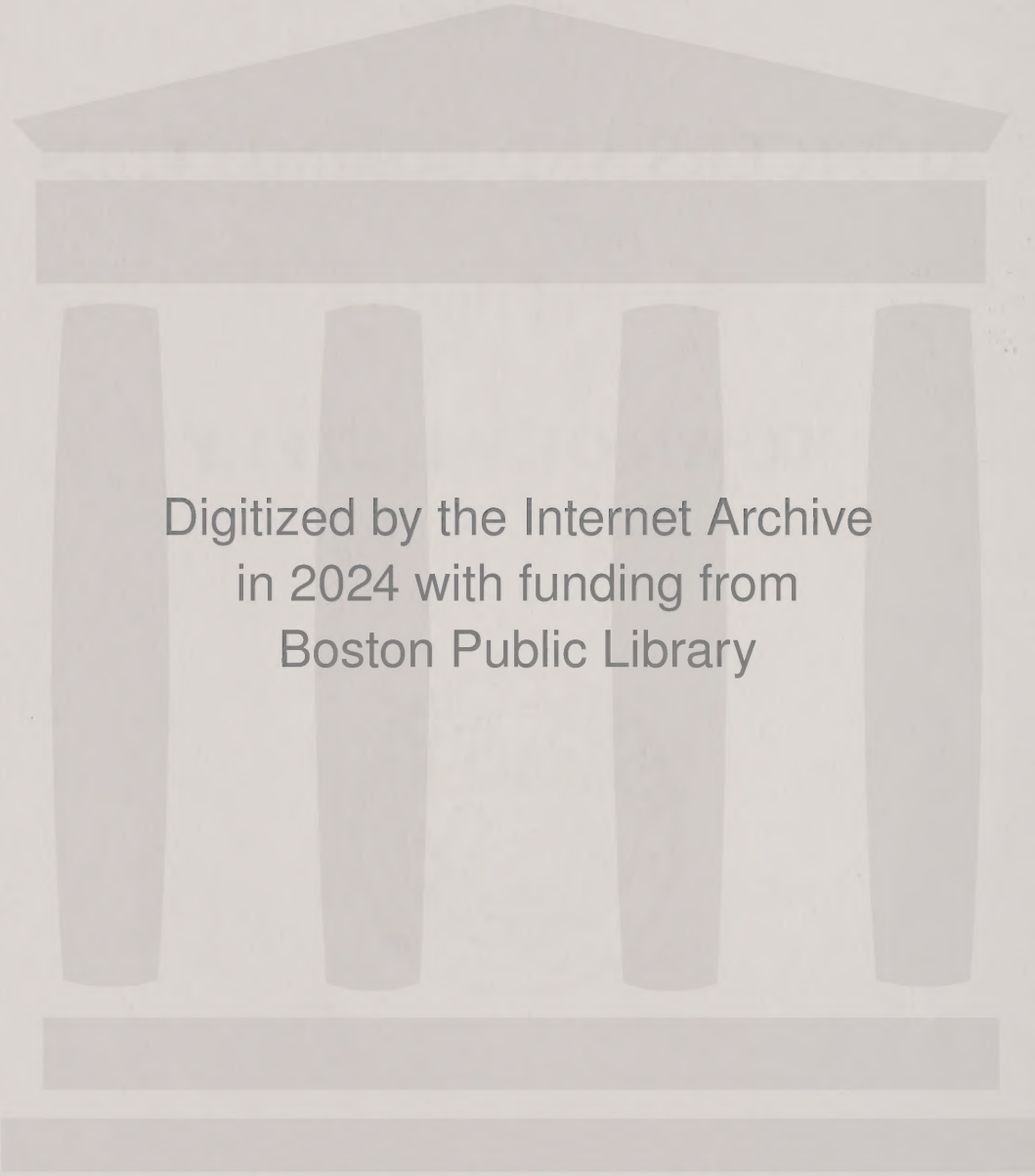
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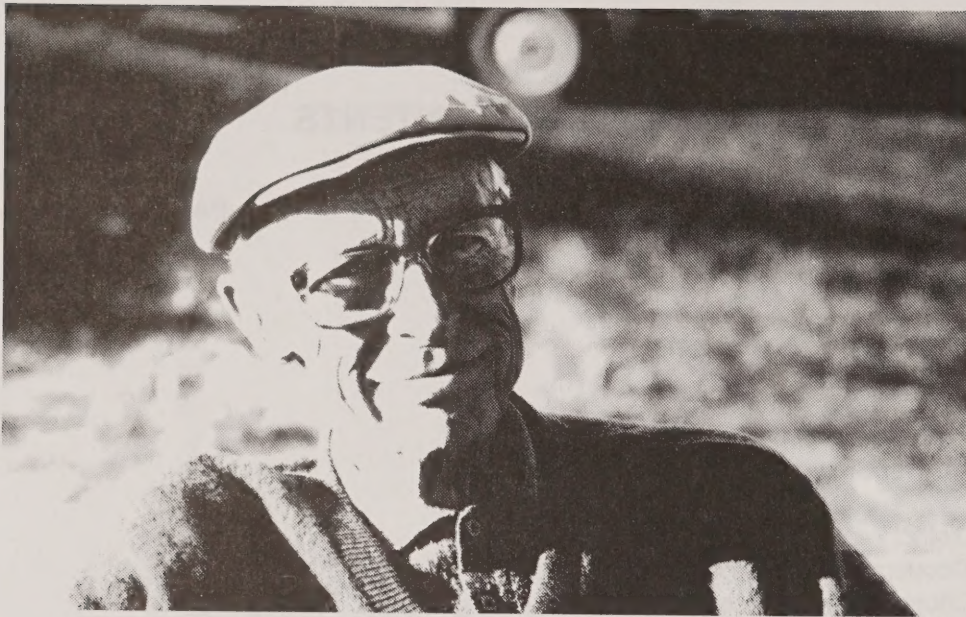


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DEDICATION

**Howard M. Hoxie
1919-1999**

This 1999 Whately Annual Report is dedicated to the life of Howard M. Hoxie.

Born in Northampton on January 12, 1919, Howard graduated from Northampton High School. He went on to study Chemistry at University of Massachusetts and later got a Masters Degree from Tufts University. Howard joined the Army-Air Force in 1942 and married Wilma Liggett later that year. He was discharged as a Captain in 1946. After his discharge he worked in Chester, Pennsylvania for the Celanese Corporation. In 1950, he moved with Wilma and his three children, Paul, April and Lynne to Avon Lake, Ohio where he worked on PVC (polyvinyl chloride) for B.F. Goodrich for 17 years.

While in Avon Lake, Howard was active in town politics serving on the Town Council for many years. During this time Howard was an avid gardener who always wanted the earliest sweet corn and tomatoes. He enjoyed experimenting with grafting and planted many dwarf apple trees on his land. When their youngest child, Lynne, was in High School, Wilma got her master's degree in French and started teaching.

In 1967 after all their children had left home, Howard and Wilma searched for a farm suitable for an orchard. They looked for about a year before finding the run-down dairy farm in Whately known as the Quonquont farm. They fell in love with the farm immediately. Wilma started teaching French in Northampton and Howard laid out and planted the apple orchard. Howard and Wilma always had plans for new projects and ideas for the farm. Howard and Wilma rented out part of the farmhouse and exchanged another part for living quarters for helpers on the farm. Over the years, many people have lived on the Quonquont farm and participated in the planting and reclamation of the farm. Many of Whately's youth have had their first jobs picking berries at the Quonquont farm.

Howard was a popular fixture at the Amherst Farmer's Market. He enjoyed meeting and talking with his customers both at the farm and at the market. Howard's wry sense of humor and

mischievous smile were an indication of his fun side. His sign at the Farmer's market "Apple Cider: Easy to get now. Will be hard later" is a good example of his wit.

Howard and Wilma could always be seen on their daily walks to the post office. They enjoyed the contact with others in town as an opportunity to share news, a laugh or just hello. As Wilma's health deteriorated from Alzheimer's she was unable to continue these walks and was eventually placed in a nursing home. Howard continued his daily walks. During one of these walks, after Tropical Storm Floyd, Howard became the first and only casualty of the storm, making an abrupt acquaintance with the bottom of "Whately's Big Dig". After recovering from his tumble, Howard eagerly awaited the rebuilding of the road so that his walk to the post office would be easier.

Howard did not live to see the road completed. Howard Hoxie died on December 15, 1999. He was just a month shy of 81 years old.

Howard and Wilma's daughter Lynne, remembers her dad as a "character: loving, hard-working, creative, but a character. He had high expectations for himself and his children." She relates the following story: "The dog did not escape these expectations either. In one of his many special projects, Dad tried to teach our dog to ask for his food. The usual bark was not enough for my dad. He wanted to teach Bounce to say, "I want". Methodically, he taught Bounce, in response to his prompt, "speak", first to bark, and then to bark in two parts, with a mouth closing in between. The dog didn't do too badly, for a dog, but he had a little trouble with vowels and never won any diction awards."

Paul remembers his Dad as being thrifty to an extreme. "Dad got a wood stove soon after he moved to Whately. He did not want to spend money on heating fuel. He would often sit with my Mother in the living room with a blanket over his legs and watch TV, occasionally getting up to add a log to the stove. One particularly cold night he looked down during a commercial and saw a mouse huddled on his lap for warmth. He got the hint that he had gone too far."

April found these words by Larry Parnass in the 10/7/93 edition of the Hampshire Gazette to be a good remembrance of her Dad. "Years of walking these rows have shaped a personal geography. Hoxie has learned where the wind will break and where the sun will heat a stone and warm the ground...He's learned the warm and wet spots and watched plants struggle and thrive in both. In winter, he looks for signs of deer browsing on trees. "You can read everything that goes on," he says, "in the tracks in the snow."

Howard gave to the Town of Whately a basic appreciation for the land that he loved. He was a man devoted to his family and his farm. It is with appreciation and respect that we dedicate this town report to the life of Howard Hoxie. Howard's daughter Lynne said it best at his memorial service. "He created a beautiful orchard. If anyone wants to soak up a little of my father in his absence, I suggest a stroll through that orchard, where he spent so many hours, at one with the land."

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Scott, Chairman
Board of Selectmen

Note: We would like to thank Howard's children Paul, Lynne and April for their memories and the details of their father's life in compiling this dedication.

MEETING SCHEDULE FOR WHATELY TOWN BOARDS

Board or Committee:

Assessors
 Board of Health
 Cable TV Advisory Committee
 Capital Planning Committee
 Cemetery Commissioners
 Cultural Council
 Conservation Commission
 Council on Aging
 Disability Committee
 Finance Committee
 Franklin County Coop. Inspection Prog.
 Franklin County Technical School Comm.
 Frontier Regional School Committee
 Frontier Regional School Bldg. Comm.
 Historical Commission
 Library Trustees
 Personnel Committee
 Planning Board
 Recreation Commission
 Selectmen
 Town Clerk

 Town Collector
 Tri-Town Beach Committee
 Water Commissioners
 Whately School Committee
 Waste Management Committee
 Zoning Board of Appeals
 Whately Grange
 Historical Society

Meeting Date:

Mondays, 7:00-9:00 P.M., Town Hall
 2nd & last Weds, 7:30 P.M., Center School
 No set meeting date
 No set meeting date
 No set meeting date
 No set meeting date
 3rd Weds, 7:00 P.M., Town Hall
 2nd Mondays, 7:00 P.M., Senior Center
 No set meeting date
 No set meeting date
 No set meeting date
 2nd Weds, every month, 7:00 P.M., Tech Sch
 2nd Tuesdays, 7:00 P.M., Frontier
 2nd Thursdays, 7:00 P.M., Frontier
 No set meeting date
 1st Thursdays, 7:30 P.M., Library
 No set meeting date
 Last Tuesdays, 7:30, Town Hall
 No set meeting date
 2nd and last Tues, 7:00 P.M., Center School
 Tuesdays Noon - 7:00 P.M.,
 Thursdays 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. Center School
 Mondays, 7:00 P.M., Town Hall
 No set meeting date
 1st Wednesdays, 8:00 P.M., Center School
 1st Mondays 7:00 P.M. @ Elementary School
 1st Mondays, 7:00 P.M., Poplar Hill Rd.
 1st Thursdays, 6:30 P.M., Town Hall
 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 P.M., Town Hall
 1st Thursdays, 7:30 P.M., Center School

Note: This schedule is provided for informational purposes only. Meetings are also posted on the Whately Bulletin Board, Channel #15 for cable viewers in town. Please check the Town Clerk's Board at the Center School Offices for official notification of meetings and hearings.

WHATELY TOWN OFFICIALS

Elected Officials

Board of Selectmen

David L. Scott, Chair	2000
Charles E. Olanyk	2002
Richard E. Smith	2001

Town Clerk

Virginia C. Allis, retired 3/99	2001
Lynn M. Sibley, appt. 3/99	

Assessors

Adele Corcoran, Chair.	2000
Vivian Schumacher, Appt. 4/99	
Robert Bourke	2002

Board of Health

Gary Lawrence, Chair	2002
Victor Moreno, resigned 8/99	2000
Francis Fortino, appt. 8/99	
Karen Podlesny	2001

School Committee

Luanne LaRose, Chair	2001
Martha Goodridge	2002
Joyce Tutun, resigned 9/99	2000
Richard E. Smith, appt 10/99	

Frontier Regional School Committee

William J. Smith	2000
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Library Trustees

Herbert Steeper, Chair	2001
Sandra V. Saunders	2000
Anita Husted	2000
Barbara Schneider	2002
Elizabeth Dwight	2001
Paula Howes	2002

Cemetery Commissioners

Adelia A Bardwell	2002
Fred W. Bardwell	2001
Peter D. Hannum	2000

Moderator

Paul M. Fleuriel, Jr.	2000
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Constables

Edwin Zaniewski	2001
Thomas Mahar	2001

Tree Warden

Thomas J. Mahar	2000
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Elector to the Will of Oliver Smith

Edward R. Farrick	2000
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Water Commissioners

Paul M. Fleuriel, Jr.	2000
George Bucala, Jr. Chair	2001
Karen R. Podlesny	2002

Selectmen's Appointments

Administrative:

Town Administrator

Susan Wright	2000
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Municipal Secretary

Lynn M. Sibley	2000
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Town Accountant

Dale Kowacki	2000
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Asst. Town Accountant

Virginia C. Allis, retired 6/99	
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Town Counsel

Kopelman & Paige	2000
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Public Services

Superintendent of Streets

Keith Bardwell	2000
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Keeper of the Pound

Daniel G. Denchy	2000
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Public Safety

Chief of Police
Harold R. Swift, Jr. 2000

Sergeant
George LaPenta 2000

Special Police Officers 2000
William J. Smith
Keith Bardwell
Thomas Mahar
Wendy Bardwell
Edwin Zaniewski
Jeffrey Baker
Scott Hutkoski
Robert Warger
Robert Fisher
Jennifer Baranowski

Fire Chief and Forest Warden
James Bernier, res. 10/31/99 2000

**Emergency Medical Technician
Coordinator**
John P. Kennedy 2000

Emergency Management Director
David L. Scott 2000

**Assistant Emergency Management
Director**
Susan Wright 2000

Animal Control Officer
Richard Adamcek 2000

Hazardous Waste Coordinator
William Obear 2000

**Municipal Right to Know
Coordinator**
James Bernier, res. 10/31/99

Inspectors

Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program

Building Inspectors 2000
Jim Hawkins

Wiring Inspector
Edward Marchefka

Plumbing Inspector
William Tremblay
Richard Ouimette – alternate
Dale Descavich – alternate

Inspector of Animals and Barns
Thomas J. Mahar 2000

Weights and Measurers 2000
Lyndon L. Scott
Alan Sanderson, Sr.
Joseph Rup
Northampton Coop Auction
Janet Land
Joanne Erikson

Fence Viewers and Field Drivers 2000
Alan Sanderson Jr.
David L. Scott
Ai S. Annis, Jr.
Thomas J. Mahar

Veterans Services

Veteran's Agent
Leo Parent 2000
Central Franklin County Vet. District

**Town's Representative to Franklin
County Veterans District**
Donald Sluter 2000

Veterans Graves Officer
Gerald Fowles 2000

General Government

Registrars of Voters

Neal B. Sanderson	2001
Virginia C. Allis	2000
Paul McEnaney	2002
Lynn Sibley, Clerk	2001

Zoning Board of Appeals

Debra Carney, Co-Chair	2002
Roger P. Lipton, Co-Chair	2000
Robert Smith	2001

Alternates

Alan Sanderson Jr.	2000
Melanie Chorak	2000

Secretary

Chris Carr

Conservation Commission

James N. Ross, Chair	2002
Alan Tilton	2002
Edward Farrick	2000
Robert August	2001
Scott Jackson	2001

Tri-Town Beach Committee

William Skroski, Jr. Chair	2001
Elizabeth Orloski-Perfido	2002
Suzanne Cycz	2000

Recreation Commission

Edward Ashman, Chair.	2000
David Robinson	2000
Victor Moreno	2000
John LaSalle	2000
Nicole Ciesluk	2000

Historical Commission

Lois Bean	2000
Maureen Dwyer	2000
Julie Sanderson	2002
Bruce Walker	2002
Carol Olanyk	2001

Cultural Council

Margaret DeGregorio, Chair	2001
Susan Bellemere	2001
Camella Maiewski, res. 11/99	2001
Nancy Sherman	2000
Gabriel Cooney	2001
Joyce Tutun	2000

Council on Aging

Theresa Zaskey	2000
Frances Symanski, Chair	2001
J. Charles Zaskey	2002
David Roy Trombley	2000
Elizabeth Orloski	2001
Bernard Mizula	2001
Virginia C. Allis	2002

Building Code Board of Appeals

Ralph Farrick	2003
Joseph Rup	2004
Stanley Hoynoski	2000
Randy Sibley	2002
Ewan Mikolajczuk	2001

Cable TV Advisory Committee

James LaSalle, Char	
Deborah Pearson	
John K. Talmage	
John H. Talmage	
Dana Pearson	

Western Valley Water Protection Committee

Alice Klingener

Franklin County Overall Economic Development Plan Committee Representative

Harold R. Swift, Jr.

Franklin County Economic Target Area Representative

Harold R. Swift, Jr.

Committee on Disabilities

Donald Sluter, Chair
 Ralph Farrick
 Sandra Saunders
 Janet Cohan
 Susan Wright, ex officio

Frontier Regional School Building Committee

Robert Smith
 William Obear

Franklin County Solid Waste District

William Obear
 Fran Fortino, alternate

Franklin County Transit Authority

Fred Bardwell

Whately Waste Management Committee

William Obear
 Fran Fortino
 Gary Lawrence

Moderator's Appointments**Finance Committee:**

Jonathan Lovell, Chair.	2002
Jane Grybko	2001
Carl Brooks	2000
Paul Antaya	2002
Roger Kennedy	2001
Kristine Ashman	2000
Richard Howes	2001

Planning Board:

Fred Bardwell	2001
Peter DeGregorio, Co-Chair	2003
John Torchia	2003
Anita Husted, Co-Chair	2000
Nicholas Jones	2002

Franklin County Technical School Committee:

Donald Sluter	2002
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Other Officials**Personnel Committee:**

Charles Olanyk	
Appt. by Selectmen	2002
William Smith	
Appt. by Employees	2002
Jane Grybko	
Appt. by Finance Comm.	2002
Patricia Barschenski	
Appt. by Moderator	2001
Janet McEnaney	
Appt. by Moderator	2000

Capital Improvement Planning Committee:

Susan Wright, Town Administrator
 David Scott, Selectmen
 Donald Skroski, Principal
 Sandra Saunders, at-large
 Bruce Tutun, at-large
 Roger Kennedy, Finance Committee
 Bruce Cleare, Planning Board Rep.

Health Agent – Appt. by Board of Health

Maxine Schmidt

Water Superintendent – Appt. by Water Commissioners:

William Smith

Librarian – Appt. by Library**Trustees:**

Nancy Marchefka

Frontier Regional School Committee – Appt. by Whately School Committee:

Martha Goodridge

Transfer Station Attendants:

Earl Morton
 Anthony Filanowski
 Frank Munson

At the time of printing there are vacancies in the following positions or on the following Boards and Committees.

Assistant Animal Control Officer
Cultural Council
Town Building Study Committee
Historical Commission

Anyone wishing consideration for an appointment to any committee may contact the Board of Selectmen.

Report of the Board of Selectmen

Following the long continued custom of our worthy predecessors, and the requirements of law, the Selectmen submit the following report hoping that you may find little to criticise and nothing to condemn. Our expenses for highways have been more than usual owing to destructive storms which washed roads badly, causing expense to make them fairly passable. The storm of last week swept out a number of culverts so that it will be necessary to make ay appropriation for rebuilding them, as only temporary structures have been put on.

These are the first two paragraphs of the Selectmen's Report for the 1899 Town Report. It goes to show that while there have been many extraordinary changes over the past one hundred years it is equally astonishing how much has truly remained the same. One can imagine that the Board of Selectmen in 1999 and its counterpart in 1899 might find a great deal in common despite the distance of one hundred years. We venture to suggest that there might be more similarities than differences. Our hats go off to all who have served the Town of Whately as Selectmen during our long history.

The most dramatic natural event in the past year was the September storm which washed out a portion of Chestnut Plain Road, long known as "the dingle." The washout was the result of Tropical Storm Floyd, which dropped over nine inches of rain during a twelve-hour period on September 16th and 17th, 1999. The culvert began to wash out

early in the evening and through the quick thinking of two town residents, Skip Goodridge and Ronnie Belder, the road was barricaded just minutes before the entire roadway and culvert were swept away in the torrential current of the stream. Emergency personnel and Highway Department personnel worked all night to keep the road barricaded and to monitor other roadways in town. Flooding along other roads also caused major washouts but none to the extent of the washout in the center of town.

In the days following the washout, the Board of Selectmen reviewed all the options for reconstructing the culvert and roadway. The need for reconstruction was critical as a water main serving six households on North Street was uncovered and suspended across the 40-foot deep ravine. With winter coming it was imperative that the water main be insulated, as there was no other way to provide these households with water. The decision was made quickly to pursue reconstruction regardless of whether emergency funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) would be made available.

Dubbed affectionately Whately's BIG DIG, the disaster attracted onlookers from all over the county. Some joked that if we had charged admission, we would have had enough money to complete the reconstruction. After a few weeks interest tapered off during which time the Town had quickly received permission to expend town funds on the emergency and had completed the necessary engineering and environmental permitting required for a project of this magnitude. In December, four months later, the culvert was

replaced and the road opened again. While FEMA funding was aggressively pursued, it appears unlikely that we will receive any assistance with the repair costs. Statewide there was not enough damage to public property to meet the threshold for a presidential declaration of a federal disaster. The total cost of the project was approximately \$80,000, which will be paid from the Town's free cash reserves.

The Board of Selectmen commends the Highway Department on a speedy and excellent job. The Selectmen also wish to thank members of the Whately Conservation Commission for their flexibility and willingness to work toward an environmentally appropriate solution to the culvert replacement. All Town staff involved in the project worked together to make this a short term problem for our town. We also thank the townspeople for their patience during this project.

Our Town Buildings also took a beating from storms this past year. Tropical Storm Floyd caused quite a bit of damage at the S.W. Dickinson Library and the Town Hall. An insurance settlement will pay a significant amount of the costs associated with water damage to the interiors of these buildings and repairs will be made this spring. In another storm earlier in the year, a combination of ice buildup and rain caused flooding at the Elementary School that irreversibly damaged carpets in six classrooms, the library and the hallways. The School Committee, Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen worked quickly to remedy the situation and new carpeting was installed during the February school vacation.

During the past year, the Board of Selectmen and other Boards in town spent a great deal of time reviewing and commenting on the natural gas storage facility proposed by Berkshire Gas, a Pittsfield based company. An eight-month permitting process handled by the state's Energy Facilities Siting Board resulted in a positive review. Construction began in September on the Long Plain Road facility and the project was recently completed in time for the winter heating season. The Board of Selectmen look forward to a long and productive relationship between the town and Berkshire Gas and note that the estimated new taxes from the facility will bring in approximately \$72,000 in new revenue for Fiscal Year 2001.

The Town also made significant investments in capital items this past year. Energy improvements at the Fire Station, including new doors and insulation, have resulted in great savings in energy costs. A new dump truck in the Highway Department has replaced an aging 13-year-old truck. A chipper was purchased and has been put to work by the Highway Department to reduce roadside tree debris to useful woodchips. Residents this year were able to bring their Christmas Trees to the Transfer Station to be chipped. The Town also made a substantial commitment to improve safety throughout town with the approval of the purchase of a combined pumper/tanker unit for the Fire Department. The new pumper/tanker will provide for complete coverage throughout the town in the event of fires and other hazards. It is expected that the new pumper/tanker unit will arrive in town during the Spring of 2001.

August of this year brought residents together at a Police Department Community Block Party. The event was organized by the Police Department and had many sponsors from the community. The weather was perfect and over 200 town residents attended this fun filled event. Partygoers consumed burgers and hot dogs, corn on the cob and delicious desserts and children participated in a variety of games and activities. It was a great opportunity for residents to get to know members of the Police Department and to see and talk with neighbors and friends. It is likely to become an annual event in which we urge all residents to participate.

The past year has also been one where long-term projects seem never to end. The Board continues to work toward the closure of the Wood Waste Landfill on Webber Road. While the project has been fraught with problems, it is anticipated that the capping will be complete in early spring. The Mill River Project, a project to stabilize the banks of the Mill River adjacent to the town's monitoring and production wells, has been complicated by environmental regulations and rising costs. Bids received for the project had to be rejected as they were too costly and beyond our budget. The project has been reworked and will be bid again this spring. We have been fortunate that Tropical Storm Floyd did not cause much erosion along the banks and we hope that things will continue to hold through this spring.

The Town has seen some changes in personnel and organization. Management of the Transfer Station has become the joint responsibility of the Highway Department and the Waste

Management Committee, a subcommittee of the Board of Health. A Highway Department employee now works Tuesdays and Saturdays at the Transfer Station and Wednesday, Thursdays and Fridays on the road crew. This change has allowed the town to add back an employee in the Highway Department, bringing the crew back to four people, for the first time since 1994. The department hired Frank Munson of Easthampton in July and we are pleased to have Frank learning the ropes with our experienced crew.

The most significant change on the crew was the retirement of James Rewa after twenty-eight years with the town. Jim retired in November and was honored with a party at the Town Hall attended by more than fifty residents and friends. Jim was honored for his long-lasting contributions to the town and many cited his incredible work ethic and ability to work non-stop in all kinds of weather. Jim will continue to fill in at the Transfer Station occasionally so you may still see him on duty! We wish Jim the best in his retirement.

Douglas Scoville was hired in December to replace Jim Rewa. The Board of Selectmen welcome Douglas back as it was he whom the town laid off in 1994 when budgets across the board were slashed to balance the town budget. Other changes in the Highway Department include the absorption of the tree department into the Highway Department. Voters at the 1999 Annual Town Meeting and at the elections in February of this year overwhelmingly voted to abolish the elected position of Tree Warden and make it an appointed position. This change allows us to

continue to streamline the public works functions of the town.

The Fire Department has also seen some changes. Jim Bernier served as Fire Chief for most of 1999 and during his tenure as Chief the department saw many improvements. Jim supervised the energy improvements at the Fire Station and was instrumental in advocating for the purchase of the new pumper/tanker for the Department. We thank Jim for his service to the town.

A lawsuit involving Chestnut Mountain Road has taken much staff time to research and prepare for trial. The suit claims that Chestnut Mountain Road is still a town road while the Town maintains that it was discontinued in 1888. The trial in Land Court was held in December and it will be many months before the outcome of this legal matter is known.

The Board of Selectmen would like the townspeople to know that the Town is served by many people, by paid staff and volunteers that are doing an excellent job for our residents. All departments are working together and we feel we have an excellent organization. When we read about the troubles and controversies in neighboring towns, we are thankful for the conscientious and dedicated people that we have working for the Town of Whately. We always encourage residents to participate in our town government and urge you to contact the Selectmen's Office if you are interested in serving in any capacity. Lastly, we thank the residents of Whately for their patience and understanding.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Scott, Chairman
Board of Selectmen

Note: Selectmen Charlie Olanyk and Richard Smith gratefully acknowledge David Scott's enormous contributions to the town over the past nine years. David chose not to seek reelection this year after three consecutive terms on the board. David has always been known for his informal and hands on style to wit he has been known to dig in and help in clearing trees, fixing vehicles and plowing snow as well as providing guidance and knowledge in his role as a Selectman. David has made a lasting contribution to our community and we thank him for his leadership and sense of humor.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT 1999

The year 1999 was one of the quietest in memory, with the Board meeting only three or four times. As a result, the Board spent less money than its allotted budget.

We welcomed a new member, with Melanie Chorak being sworn in as an alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger P. Lipton
Chairman

PLANNING BOARD REPORT FOR 1999

This year the Planning Board has been busy with applications for Approval Not Required (ANR) lots. The Board continued to work with the Zoning Board regarding the Berkshire Gas Facility attending public meetings and adding to the suggestions and requests that were presented by the Boards to Berkshire Gas.

The lawsuit regarding Chestnut Mountain Road status has gone to trial and we are now awaiting the decision of the Judge. Also on the issue of discontinued roads, the board is trying to clarify the language of the Zoning By-laws.

In March Peggy Sloane from Franklin County Planning Regional Office spoke giving an over-view and brush up on procedures.

These are some of the issues the Board is considering and working on:

- Review what is recommended on the Master Plan

- Review Zoning By-laws and clarify language where needed

- Open Space Plan

- Cell Tower By-law

- Keep Subdivision Regulations up to date

- Review Scenic and Discontinued Roads

In May the Board signed off on the Site Plan of National Telecommunications Advisors for the landscaping around the antenna tower on Christian Lane.

The Board looks forward to the challenges that will be presented in the New Year.

Peter DeGregorio, Co-Chair
Anita Husted, Co-Chair
Fred Bardwell
John Torchia
Nicholas Jones

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is staffed by five members all appointed by the Selectmen. They are James Ross-Chairman, Edward Farrick, Alan Tilton, Robert August and Scott Jackson. Our prime responsibility is to administer the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act. The Town of Whately does not have local bylaws to protect our resource areas so we must rely on the State mandates.

This year we received ten filings for "Requests for Determination". This document is a formal request by the applicant asking us to authenticate the wetland delineation and determine how the proposed project will affect the resource area. Each applicant was given a hearing during which a site visit was conducted. In each case a decision was rendered in a timely manner.

The Commission also received five "Notices of Intent". This document acknowledges the fact that the proposed work lies in a protected area and gives a detailed description of how the resource area will be protected. The Commission then issued "Orders of Condition" detailing how the work should proceed. This filing is very detailed and our

committee always requests a presentation from the applicant in addition to one or more site visits. The time line is usually thirty days or longer depending on the complexity of the project.

The Conservation Commission meets on the third Wednesday of each month at the Town Hall at 7:00 P.M. All forms are available at the Center School Offices. Please mail all requests to the Whately Conservation Commission c/o James Ross, Box 66, Whately, MA 01093.

Respectfully Submitted,

James Ross
Chairman

WATER COMMISSIONER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1999

The Whately Water Department experienced a quiet year. While only two connections were added to the system, water usage continues to increase. For the past year our consumption was nearly 29 million gallons. As a result, revenue generated by the Department has increased.

The Commissioners continue to meet on the first Wednesday of each month. The meetings are in the basement office at the Center School. We can be reached at 665-3080.

Respectfully submitted,

George Bucala, Chairman
Karen Podlesny
Paul Fleuriel

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

This past summer was a very dry season, requiring minimal mowing. The plan for 2000 is straightening head stones. Some will need a foundation.

As new lots are sold a portion goes to a fund called perpetual care. There are many lots that do not have this account. Perpetual care was not required as lots were sold in the past. As the perpetual care account increases the need for a town appropriation should decrease.

Adelia A. Bardwell
Fred W. Bardwell
Peter D. Hannum

REPORT OF THE TRI-TOWN BEACH DISTRICT - 1999

The Tri-Town Beach District had a successful 1999 summer season. The residents of Deerfield and Whately were provided with a well maintained facility which provided a safe environment for the communities. This recreational facility was an area where the town residents could enjoy a relaxing day in a supervised setting.

Throughout the season several improvements and programs were completed to enhance the Tri-Town Beach area.

- Continuation of clearing the southeast corner of overgrown shrubs

- Weekly water testing resulted in meeting recommended state guidelines
- Mowing of the north and south field areas throughout the summer
- Beach hours extended from 9 A.M. – 8 P.M. daily
- Eight week swimming program (two, four week sessions)
- Allowances for community involvement opportunities
- Celebrated an annual district event

The commissioners would like to thank the Tri-Town beach lifeguards, gatekeepers, and maintenance personnel for providing a safe and clean facility for all. The staff included four lifeguards, two gatekeepers, and two maintenance people who were very committed to their positions at the Tri-Town Beach. All employees had updated CPR training and the lifeguards were all Red Cross certified. We compliment them on their excellent work to create a beach environment which was most appreciated by those who used the facility.

A summer swimming program instructed 152 children throughout sessions one and two. The three swimming instructors did a wonderful job teaching these children the necessary Red Cross skills. Children from Deerfield, Whately and Sunderland participated in these lessons. We thank Chief Harold Swift of the Whately Police Department and Officer LaPenta of Sunderland for providing DARE money to the town of Deerfield to help finance the swimming program for their towns. Because the town of Deerfield totally finances the swim program through their town

budget, a fee of \$40.00 per Whately or Sunderland child was charged for students taking swimming lessons. Whately contributed \$1,000 in DARE money and Sunderland \$960 to the town of Deerfield. The commissioners were pleased to be able to provide swimming lessons to the neighboring towns. The DARE contributions were greatly appreciated by the town of Deerfield.

Each year the commissioners try to establish a fair rate for beach passes. The commissioners agreed to a cost for the beach pass of \$35.00 for Deerfield and Whately residents and \$70 for Sunderland residents during the 1999 season. The increased cost to Sunderland was necessary because the towns of Whately and Deerfield provide the services at the facility through taxes. The higher rate was considered equitable for all concerned parties. Senior citizens may buy passes for \$15.00. Also day passes are available for \$20.00

The Massachusetts State Police, the police departments of Deerfield and Whately, and the highway departments of both towns willingly assisted in helping maintain a safe and secure area. Their assistance was truly appreciated by the commissioners.

Several local groups utilized Tri-Town Beach this year for both recreational and professional use. The Deerfield Elementary School participated in a field day experience at the lake. The sixty fifth graders who attended the function enjoyed swimming, playing games, and relaxing on the beach. It was a wonderful culmination to their fifth grade year. The Deerfield Boy Scouts and the State Police Dive Teams were allowed to practice certain tasks at the

beach. The commissioners were pleased to be able to accommodate these groups as positive community experiences.

Last season the Tri-Town Beach District celebrated its thirtieth anniversary with a community cookout. Because the event was so successful, the commissioners agreed to make it an annual event. On July 23, 1999, three hundred residents of Deerfield and Whately attended the Tri-Town Beach celebration. Food and beverages were provided for all those in attendance. The Commissioners would like to thank the following groups for their contributions: Charles Olanyk for Pepsi Cola products, Cains Foods for pickles and condiments, South Deerfield Fire Department for the use of tables, Deerfield Elementary School for the use of a coffee maker, Justin and Jonathan Galenski for 150 ears of corn, and Edith Ostrowski and Suzanne Cycz for grills. A special thank you to Chairman Bill Skroski for endless hours with the maintenance staff to provide an attractive and clean beach area.

The Tri-Town Beach District wishes to thank the communities of Deerfield and Whately for supporting this wonderful recreational facility. The residents of these two towns are fortunate to have this area to enjoy during the summer season. The commissioners will continue to provide a facility in which the towns' residents will be proud.

Respectfully submitted,

Tri-Town Beach Commissioners:
William Skroski, Chair of Tri-Town Beach District
Edith Ostrowski – Chair of Deerfield Swim Recreation Committee

Betty Orloski-Perfido – Secretary of Tri-Town Beach
Charlene Galenski – Secretary of Deerfield Swim Recreation Committee
Sharyn Paciorek
Suzanne Cycz

ANIMAL CONTROL ANNUAL REPORT

All dogs in Whately are required by State law to be licensed annually. These licenses are available from the Town Clerk after March 1. All dogs must be licensed by June 1 to avoid late fees.

In 1999 sixty-two dog owners did not meet this deadline and \$800.00 in late fees were collected.

The Animal Control officer received 74 calls from March 1999 to December 1999. The breakdown of calls are as follows:

- 27 Unrestrained dogs
- 11 Missing Dogs
- 5 Missing Cats
- 7 Dog Bites
- 5 Dead Animal Removals
- 1 Loose Cow
- 1 Loose Sheep
- 1 Cat In a Tree
- 6 Stray Dogs
- 2 Barking Dogs

Also received 16 Wildlife Calls, which were:

- 6 Coyote
- 2 Bear
- 5 Raccoon
- 1 Raccoon Bite
- 1 Skunk
- 1 Loon on Ice

Most complaints were about unrestrained dogs. Dogs must be under control of their owner at all times. Common sense and respect for others should prevail.

There seems to be a problem in town with coyotes. Four sheep and two goats have been killed by them. I also expect many of the missing cats have fallen prey to coyotes. Please keep track of your small pets when you let them outside.

Respectfully,

Richard Adamcek

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FOOTHILLS HEALTH DISTRICT

The focus of most of the work of the District in 1999 was, as in previous years, activities associated with Title 5. In Whately in the last year, the Health Agent witnessed 22 perc tests and 14 septic system inspections, reviewed 14 plans, and issued 12 permits. Four of the plan reviews were for repairs of existing septic systems. I would like to take this opportunity to remind residents of two programs which have been developed to offer financial help to homeowners with failed systems. One is a state tax credit of up to \$6000 (taken over four years) to help offset the costs of repair or replacement. This is available to homeowners who have repaired their septic systems since January 1, 1997. See the instructions for filing Massachusetts income tax for details. The second program is operated by several banks across the state (two banks

are participating in our area—Fleet Bank in Greenfield and Springfield Institute for Savings in Springfield). These banks are offering low-interest loans (the interest rate depends on the homeowner's income) for septic system repair. More information is available from those institutions.

At the end of 1999, the Whately Board of Health obtained a computer, which will enable the Board to more easily track septic system installations, repairs and maintenance. The software installed will also help track other permits, such as food service and septic system pumpers and installers. The District hopes to provide the Board with Internet access and a website within the next year.

The District is still concerned with the ongoing rabies epizootic. This problem is now a permanent condition. It may be less obvious in some years than others, but it is here to stay. Please exercise caution around any wild or unknown animal, and be sure to vaccinate your pets (including cats) according to your veterinarian's advice. Should you encounter an animal you suspect to be ill, do not attempt to handle the animal yourself, but contact the local Animal Control Officer.

The Health Agent recently earned the title of Registered Sanitarian. This designation recognizes education and experience, and is awarded when the recipient passes a national examination.

Please feel free to contact me with any public or environmental health questions. My usual day in Whately is Thursdays, but I may not always be in the office. I can be reached at 665-8051.

If you leave a message, I will return your call, usually the same day.

Respectfully submitted,

Maxine Schmidt
Health Agent

COUNCIL ON AGING FRONTIER SENIORS CENTER 1999 REPORT

As Co-Directors of the Senior Center, we would like to report 491 people are using our center.

6863 Congregate meals served
7766 Home delivered meals served
305 were served with our Flue and Pneumonia clinic this year.

Twice a week we have fitness classes, craft classes every Wednesday, Bingo every Friday after lunch. We take trips with the Hatfield Senior Center. Brown bags are distributed from our center every month. The last Friday of each month we have a blood pressure clinic.

This year we adopted two families for Christmas. With Tom and Betty Hollingsworth and Donald Harris, and the Telephone Pioneers, we GAVE THEM A GREAT CHRISTMAS. Our Seniors also sponsor Mary Andes a little Philippines girl, through Children International.

This year we bought a chair and love seat for the sitting room. This was in memory of Frank Symanski.

The cellar windows were repaired, replaced and painted.

This past year we finished replacing all the first floor windows. The front porch and window casing were painted. Now we need to concentrate on the second and third floor windows.

Our Center has a director on duty 4 hours a day. The Director's job is to keep daily programs going, send in information to the newspaper, keep supplies in stock, handling any problems that may arise promptly. Helping meal site manager when necessary. The directors also set up various clinic and speakers and do paper work for grants.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Piepiora
Shirley Pielock
Co-Directors

1999 REPORT OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

To the residents of the Solid Waste District:

The Solid Waste District celebrated its 10th anniversary in 1999, yet some residents still don't know what the District provides to their town. The role of the District is hard to describe. It provides an array of services - some visible and some not so visible- to those living and working in its towns. On any given day, District staff will field questions from residents, businesses, schools and town employees about recycling, composting, trash, and hazardous waste disposal. District staff conducts school education programs, including helping schools set up

recycling and composting programs. The District also organizes special collections. In 1999, we hosted several collections for old, unwanted electronics plus a fall collection for hazardous waste. District staff also assists towns with filling out paperwork for grants, required state reports, and for special state-sponsored programs. The District continues to oversee the operation of four permanent collection sites for common household hazardous wastes - oil-based paint and paint-related products, used motor oil, oil filters, antifreeze, fluorescent lights, ballasts, and rechargeable batteries. These sites are open year-round to all District residents. There is a small disposal fee. The sites are located in Bernardston, Colrain, Conway, and Orange.

The Solid Waste District experienced some personnel changes in 1999. In August, Bob Rottenberg, District Administrator for ten years, resigned to take a position in another field. The District hired Jan Ameen, former Program Director, to fill Bob's position. Kirk Matenaer was hired in October to replace Jan as Program Director. Jan and Kirk are joined in the office by an Administrative Assistant, Kathy Korb.

Also in 1999, the District secured landfill capacity for member towns at the City of Northampton's lined landfill. This facility can provide safe disposal for the District's trash for another five years and possibly longer. This option became important when the Town of Bernardston closed its regional landfill. On the whole, the region is fortunate to have an environmentally sound disposal facility so close.

In September, the District's subcontractor for its plastic recycling program went out of business. This resulted in most residents being asked to

put their plastics in the recycling container with glass and cans. For many residents, this change is easier and more convenient. Questions have arisen, however, about how the plastic is recycled. The plastic now goes to the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility where it is manually sorted from the glass and cans, baled, and shipped to markets where it will be recycled.

In 1999, more than 4,500 tons of recyclable paper, bottles, cans, plastic, and aluminum were recycled, saving approximately \$250,000 in disposal costs. Our combined recycling rate was 42% -- just shy of the state's overall goal of 46%, but way ahead of the overall state average of 34%. Congratulations on a job well done! Please remember to buy products which have recycled content to keep the whole recycling system working.

Projects slated for 2000 include regional collections for electronics, tires, and appliances; a spring hazardous waste collection; and researching ways to reduce solid waste management costs to towns.

If you have questions about the District and its programs, call us at 413-772-2438; e-mail us at fcswmd@crocker.com; or visit us at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield.

Jan Ameen -- *Administrator*

Arthur Cohen, Gill -- *Chair*

Jessica Rajotte, Sunderland -- *Vice Chair*

Scott McKusick, Bernardston --
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

For the fifth year in a row, Whately residents were given the opportunity to participate in a regional Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Day coordinated by the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District (FCSWMD).

The purpose of HHW collection days is twofold:

First, to give town residents an opportunity to safely dispose of hazardous household materials. If improperly disposed of, these wastes could contaminate both public and private water supplies. Massachusetts state law bans the disposal of these materials in landfills and conventional solid waste incinerators.

Secondly, to educate the public about the hazards of certain commonly available materials such as oil based paints, automotive fluids, pesticides, etc. and encourage purchases of "just enough" quantities or non toxic substitutes.

At the 1999 annual town meeting in April, the town budgeted \$700.00 for the participation of town residents in this program. As in past years, all interested residents were required to preregister to reserve their slot for the collection day. Each registration slot allowed one household to transport to the collection site used motor oil, automotive batteries, fluorescent lamps and up to 15 gallons of acceptable hazardous materials.

The collection day was held on Saturday September 18th from 9 AM to noon at the Montague Highway Garage. Two Whately households participated in the collection day. Both were repeat participants. For the entire FCSWMD, approximately 415 gallons of used motor oil, 55 automotive batteries and 8 tons of hazardous waste were collected from 210 households. The town's cost for HHW disposal services was \$183.00 for the wastes collected from the two participating households .

Residents should be reminded that since the fall of 1998 permanent facilities for the disposal of "Universal Wastes" were established by the FCSWMD at the transfer stations of Bernardston, Colrain and Conway. These wastes, which make up the bulk of materials collected at HHW collection days include oil products such as used motor oil, hydraulic oil, gear oil etc., oil based paints, oil filters, antifreeze, fluorescent lights and ballasts, rechargeable (NiCad) batteries, lithium batteries and button batteries (found in cameras, watches etc.). Residents from FCSWMD towns, including Whately, are encouraged to use any of these facilities for the disposal of the above identified wastes. Whately residents will most likely use the Conway site located off Old Cricket Hill Road. Additional information about these Universal Wastes disposal sites (dates and hours of operation etc.) is posted on the recycling bulletin board at the transfer station.

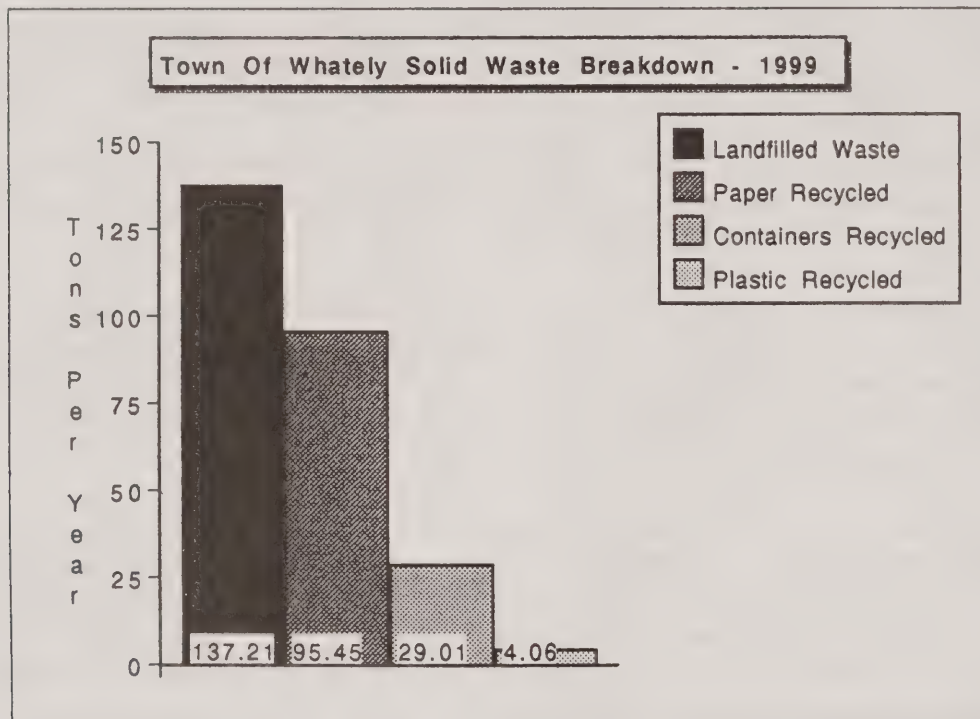
Respectfully Submitted,

William F. Obear
Hazardous Waste Coordinator

RECYCLING REPORT OF THE SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

In calendar year 1999, 128.52 tons of paper, glass, cans and plastic were recycled at the Whately Transfer Station. 137.21 tons of residual trash were disposed of at the Northampton landfill. These numbers result in a 1999 recycling rate of 48.36 %.

The Town's recycling program in calendar year 1999 resulted in a savings of \$4,676.61 which includes a check of \$300.76 (\$3 per ton) for recyclables delivered to the Springfield MRF in Fiscal Year 1999.



The Town continues to participate in the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) sponsored Municipal Recycling Incentive Program (MRIP) which provides financial incentives to Massachusetts communities which are able to meet a series of progressively more difficult recycling objectives. Whately's revenue from the MRIP program amounted to a net of \$497.00 in calendar year 1999, which is in addition to the recycling savings and revenue noted above.

An outdoor bulletin board, funded by the MRF Advisory Board and built by the Franklin County Technical School has been installed at the transfer station next to the attendant's building. The Solid Waste Committee encourages residents to periodically review the information posted on the bulletin board, in order to be aware of the current recycling rules, as well as the dates of upcoming events such as the bulky waste disposal day, special electronics collections, the annual household hazardous waste collection day etc.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fran Fortino, Gary Lawrence, William F. Obear
Whately Solid Waste Committee

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

There has been continued growth and change in the Whately Police Department. The department continues to provide a range of services to the town. Regular patrols, community policing initiatives and the DARE programs continue. New initiatives include targeted Speed, Seat Belt and Operating Under the Influence patrols conducted under a Governor's Highway Safety Bureau Grant. Also drug intervention efforts, in conjunction with the federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and the area Drug Task Force, have resulted in the confiscation of drug substances being cultivated in the town. It has been a busy year.

The Department continues to be pro-active in maintaining a connection to our citizenry. The department, with DARE grant funds, sponsors youth league baseball, soccer and basketball and swimming lessons for our young people. Our successful Community Night Out, held in August at the Elementary School, attract over 200 people over the course of the event. It was great to see residents of all ages enjoying a summer evening with friends and neighbors. We anticipate repeating this event again this summer.

A comparison of statistics from 1998 to 1999 shows increases in activity in many areas. Motor vehicle stops have increased seven fold from 227 stops in 1998 to 1502 in 1999. These resulted in 841 more citations being issued this past year. Arrests for various offenses increased from 4 in 1998 to 25 in 1999. This has placed a tremendous work load on the department are time consuming.

Court time for our officers has also increased in proportion to the number of citations and arrests.

New State mandated Firearms laws have placed greater demands upon our department due to the complexity of the new system. The time involved in processing firearms permits has reduced officer patrol time.

Several criminal events occurred this year that have also stretched the department's resources. Our officers have assisted the Massachusetts State Police detectives with several ongoing investigations; the conclusion to which we hope will be forthcoming in the near future.

We continue to be pro-active to the needs of the community. We urge residents to report any suspicious activity to the department and we thank the citizens of our town for their cooperation and support of the department's efforts. I would also like to thank the department's officers for their find work.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold R. Swift, Jr.
Chief of Police Department

**WHATELY POLICE DEPARTMENT
ACTIVITY REPORT 1998 & 1999**

	1998	1999
Abduction-----	0	1
Abuse Prevention Orders-----	8	10
Accident – Motor Vehicles-----	17	22
Animal Complaints-----	7	8
Annoying Telephone Calls-----	12	7
Arrests-----	4	25
Assistance (general)-----	52	78
Assist Ambulance-----	11	19
Assist Fire Department-----	6	12
Breaking & Entering-----	4	5
Disturbance-----	13	17
Domestic Problem-----	11	3
Drug Violation-----	0	3
Harassment-----	2	2
Homicide---(Assist M.S.P.C.P.A.C.)-----	0	1
Indecent Exposure-----	1	1
Intrusion Alarm-----	11	7
Larceny-----	26	23
Malicious Destruction-----	9	13
Motor Vehicle Stops-----	227	1,595
	1998	1999
Citations issued-----	165	1,006
Verbal Warnings Issued-----	45	333
Written Warnings Issued-----	17	256
Motor Vehicle Theft-----	0	1
Notification-----	0	2
Stolen Property Recovered-----	1	1
Summons Served-----	23	19
Suspicious Activity-----	12	13
Suspicious Person-----	5	10
Suspicious Vehicle-----	11	11
Unattended Death-----	1	0

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WHATELY FIRE DEPARTMENT - 1999

The year 1999 brought challenges and change to the Whately Fire Department. The Department tanker truck has been ailing for a number of years and needs replacing. Back in 1996, \$20,000 was appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a used tanker truck. A tiring search by the Fire Department ended fruitlessly. There were no trucks available for the money we had to spend. It became clear that we needed to change direction. Some towns in the area have acquired pumper/tanker combination fire trucks. Whately started to investigate this possibility and it seemed that a pumper/tanker was the way to go. For a call to a Route 91 car fire the department now needs to bring both the tanker to supply water and the pumper to pump it. The pumper/tanker combination will only require the one truck. This will result in safer working conditions for the firefighters along with safer conditions in general for the public. So, the fire department presented an article to the June 22 Special Town Meeting to vote to raise and appropriate funds for a new truck. This article passed unanimously. The town then needed to vote a debt exclusion, which they did on July 1, 1999.

A Specification Committee was appointed by the Selectmen which included Fire Chief Jim Bernier, Captain Alan Sanderson, Finance Committee member Dan Kennedy, and at large members Michael Morawski, Jr. and Thomas Mahar. A Subcommittee was formed that included Chief Bernier, Captain Sanderson and Deputy Chief Gary Stone. They worked endlessly

along with the Town Administrator, Susan Wright to put out the specifications for this truck. Requests for Proposals are due at the time of this writing. The Department is very excited about this new acquisition. If all goes well, we should have the new truck by the spring of 2001. We would like to thank the Specification Sub-Committee for their hard work on this project.

With the addition of Berkshire Gas in the Town of Whately, the Fire Department found itself in need of the unique training that is required should an unlikely incident happen at the site. Six members of the Department attended a two-day training session in October on the firefighting tactics necessary for a facility of this kind.

Tropical Storm Floyd on September 16th and 17th was another challenge for the Department. In conjunction with the Police and Highway Departments the Fire Department helped close down flooded roads, and pumped out flooded basements that were putting heating and electrical systems in jeopardy. Many members stayed on duty throughout the night to help in any way they could.

The Department is in transition at the present time due to the resignation of Fire Chief Jim Bernier. We would like to thank Jim for his leadership and the enthusiasm he brought forth to the Department. The Department is awaiting the appointment by the Selectmen of a new Chief at this time. We would like to assure the public that the Department is ready to respond to your emergency at any time, even during this transition period.

The following is a list of Fire Department members:

Nick Adamski	Edward Ashman
Wendy Bardwell	Jim Bernier
Josh Clemons	Ward Clemons
Robert Englehardt	Gregory Gagnon
Gary Grybko	Brian Hannum
Mary Hannum	Peter Hannum
Wayne Hutkoski	Timothy Jackewich
John LaSalle	Gary Longley
Peter Mikolajczuk	Mark Ober
Alan Sanderson Jr	Brad Sanderson
Chris Sibley	William Smith
John Talmage	Mary Wideman
Larry Ashman	Keith Bardwell
Brenda Clemons	Jason Clemons
Kenneth Duda	Donald Dufault
George Goodridge	Michael Goodridge
Deborah Hannum	John Hannum III
Richard Hannum	Scott Hutkoski
John Kennedy	Roger Kennedy
Veronica Mard	Christopher Mason
John Pilvinis	Walter Puchalski Jr
Edward Santos	Elizabeth Scott
Gary Stone	Mathew Stone
Carlye Wisnouskas	Tim Zabek
Harlan Bean	Randy Sibley

We would like to remind everyone that to report an emergency, call 911, for non-emergency calls, please call 625-8200. If calling on a cell phone, please supply your name address, including street, town and state and your full telephone number. The E-911 system is not designed to track down addresses of cell phone users.

Brush burning season is January 15 – May 1. Burning permits may be obtained by calling the 625-8200 non-emergency number.

Respectfully Submitted,

Whately Fire Department Officers

Gary Stone, Deputy Chief
Keith Bardwell, Deputy Chief
Captain Alan Sanderson, Jr.
Captain Randy Sibley
Lieutenant Wayne Hutkoski
Lieutenant John P. Kennedy

AMBULANCE REPORT 1999

I hereby submit a report for the year 1999:

The following is a breakdown of call natures for 1999:

29 Motor Vehicle Accidents
69 Medical Emergencies
19 Trauma - Related
10 Mutual Aid to Neighboring Towns

The Ambulance responded to a total of 117 calls during 1999, an increase of 16 calls over last year.

We continue to operate at the Intermediate level of care, allowing qualified EMT's to perform advanced procedures such as intubation and intravenous therapy when needed. These procedures can provide significant benefits to critically injured or sick patients.

The Police department has continued to work closely with ambulance personnel, responding to calls to assist in whatever capacity possible. Police officers who are qualified continue to carry one of our defibrillators, to be of assistance in cases

of cardiac arrest where rapid defibrillation has been shown to be crucial in saving lives. The Police department also carries one of our emergency response kits, which contain oxygen as well as miscellaneous medical supplies. This equipment can be utilized by officers as well as EMT's who may arrive on scene prior to the ambulance.

The Ambulance has been committed to calls for more than 160 hours (on scene and transport) this year. Whately EMT's, who respond to calls voluntarily via a radio paging system, have provided the town with over 430 hours of service on calls alone this year, not including time spent in meetings and training.

Once again, I would like to sincerely thank all of the EMT's in town who continue to devote a tremendous amount of their time and energy in an effort to provide their friends and neighbors, as well as total strangers, with an exceptional level of medical care. I also thank James Bernier for his assistance during his tenure as chief, as well as the police officers and firefighters who continue to be of assistance on ambulance responses.

The following is a list of current Whately EMT's:

Ambulance Director J.P. Kennedy

Wendy Bardwell	James Bernier
Brenda Clemons	Gregory Gagnon
Robert Englehardt	Michael Goodridge
George Goodridge	Gary Longley
Timothy Jackewich	Mark Ober
Elizabeth Scott	Gary Stone
Mary Wideman	Carlye Wisnouskas

Any billing questions should be directed to Susan Wright or Lynn Sibley (we would be lost without them) @ the Selectman's office 665-4400. All other questions (requests for demonstrations, CPR or first aid classes, etc) can be directed to the Ambulance director at 665-2230.

Once again, I would like to remind the citizens of Whately to be sure to post their new street numbers in a place clearly visible from the street, as this is crucial during any emergency response. In any emergency, dial 911 and clearly state the nature of the emergency as well as your street location. This will allow emergency personnel to respond in a timely fashion.

Respectfully Submitted,

John P. Kennedy
Ambulance Director

Annual Report of the Building Inspector for Fiscal Year 1999

I hereby submit my annual report for the Building Department portion of the FCCIP for F.Y. 99. The number of building permits issued increased to 903, and dwellings increased to 87 units, which was the highest recorded since 1995.

Public building inspections remain steady, with 186 inspections conducted and fees received at an all time high of \$7,348. The number of permits issued were up significantly in the following towns: Buckland, Erving and Gill. They were up slightly in Conway, Hawley, Leverett, Leyden, Shelburne and Shutesbury. They remained steady in Ashfield, Charlemont, Heath, and Monroe. They were down in Bernardston and Whately; however, Bernardston had the highest number of new dwellings (13 total) and the second highest fee value (\$12,050). Shelburne collected the highest amount of permit fees (\$14,502), with 9 new dwelling units, 24 Certificates of Occupancy and 39 Certificates of Inspection.

Conway was down significantly in dwelling units, from 14 in '98 to 6 in '99, and Gill was down from 19 in '98 to 4 in '99.

Respectfully submitted,

James D. Hawkins
Inspector of Buildings

Franklin County Cooperative Inspection

FISCAL YEAR REPORT FOR BUILDING PERMITS

JULY 1, 1998 TO JUNE 30, 1999

TOWN	PERMITS	VALUE	DWELL UNITS*	PERMIT FEES	CERT OF OCC	CERT OF INSPC**	C.I. FEES	OTHER FEES	TOTAL
Ashfield	82	1,993,730	8	10,385.00	19	9	321.00	0.00	10,706.00
Bernardston	73	2,297,575	13	12,050.00	21	14	453.00	0.00	12,503.00
Buckland	80	1,130,157	7	6,550.00	13	6	195.00	0.00	6,745.00
Charlemont	52	828,220	3	3,745.00	14	16	338.00	0.00	4,083.00
Conway	80	1,708,547	6	9,830.00	26	8	191.00	50.00	10,071.00
Erving	55	1,304,293	7	6,935.00	7	14	392.00	0.00	7,327.00
Gill	72	1,560,353	4	8,770.00	11	34	1,807.00	0.00	10,577.00
Hawley	27	407,400	1	2,455.00	2	1	40.00	0.00	2,495.00
Heath	40	554,705	2	3,020.00	5	2	0.00	0.00	3,020.00
Leverett	67	1,613,324	9	8,545.00	11	10	248.00	0.00	8,793.00
Leyden	33	950,130	4	4,940.00	4	6	177.00	0.00	5,117.00
Monroe	6	37,595	0	245.00	2	2	166.00	25.00	436.00
Shelburne	91	2,458,088	9	12,380.00	24	39	2,122.00	0.00	14,502.00
Shutesbury	76	1,945,712	9	10,465.00	16	10	264.00	25.00	10,754.00
Whately	69	1,388,885	5	6,595.00	19	15	634.00	25.00	7,254.00
TOTALS	903	\$20,178,714	87	\$106,910.00	194	186	7,348.00	\$125.00	\$114,383.00

*2-Family and Multi-dwellings are issued only one permit per building.

**These figures reflect only those inspections which receive Certificates. Many other inspections are performed by B.I., but for various reasons no Certificates are issued.

"Other Fees" reflect reinspections and duplication of permits and C.O.'s

**Annual Report
Electrical Inspector Fiscal Year 1999**

The enclosed report is for Fiscal Year 1999 and reflects Wiring permits and fee activity for all member towns. A review of the number of permits and fees collected each fiscal year for the last 5 years shows the following:

FY	1995	704	\$34,749.00
	1996	751	42,932.00
	1997	607	40,603.00
	1998	701	38,686.00
	1999	661	37,916.00

Once again, I would like to extend my appreciation to all town officials for your cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Sincerely,

Edward F. Marchefka
Electrical Inspector

FISCAL YEAR 07/01/98 to 06/30/99

PERMIT FEE RECEIPTS FROM TOWNS:

TOWN =====	REINSPECTION FEES =====	PERMITS =====	AMOUNT =====
ASHFIELD	25.00	68	3,560
BERNARDSTON	0.00	50	2,800
BUCKLAND	0.00	47	2,659
CHARLEMONT	0.00	43	2,040
CONWAY	0.00	40	2,025
ERVING	0.00	37	2,625
GILL	0.00	0	0
HAWLEY	0.00	17	860
HEATH	0.00	21	930
LEVERETT	0.00	56	4,215
LEYDEN	0.00	0	0
MONROE	0.00	7	265
NORTHFIELD	100.00	82	5,710
SHELBURNE	0.00	85	4,334
SHUTESBURY	0.00	0	0
WARWICK	0.00	0	0
WENDELL	20.00	41	1,770
WHATELY	0.00	67	3,978
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TOTAL:	\$145.00	661	\$37,771

TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED \$37,916.00

**Annual Report
Plumbing & Gas Inspector
Fiscal Year 1999**

The enclosed report is for Fiscal Year 1999 and reflects Plumbing/Gas permits and fee activity for all member towns. A review of the number of permits and fees collected each fiscal year for the last 5 years shows the following:

FY	1995	510	\$27,476.00
	1996	460	26,770.00
	1997	525	28,733.00
	1998	558	28,395.00
	1999	526	28,089.00

One again, I would like to extend my appreciation to all town officials for your cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Sincerely,

William Tremblay
Plumbing/Gas Inspector

FISCAL YEAR 07/01/98 to 06/30/99

PERMIT FEE RECEIPTS FROM TOWNS:

TOWN =====	REINSPECTION FEES =====	PERMITS =====	AMOUNT =====
ASHFIELD	33.00	73	3,873
BERNARDSTON	0.00	38	2,239
BUCKLAND	24.00	46	2,223
CHARLEMONT	50.00	36	1,705
CONWAY	66.00	57	2,706
ERVING	8.00	26	1,477
GILL	0.00	0	0
HAWLEY	0.00	14	662
HEATH	0.00	18	738
LEVERETT	98.00	58	3,850
LEYDEN	33.00	28	1,692
MONROE	0.00	8	232
NORTHFIELD	0.00	0	0
SHELBURNE	8.00	71	3,486
SHUTESBURY	0.00	0	0
WARWICK	0.00	0	0
WENDELL	0.00	0	0
WHATELY	90.00	53	2,796
TOTAL:	----- \$410.00	----- 526	----- \$27,679.00

TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED \$28,089.00

S. White Dickinson Memorial Library Library Trustees Report

Last year, when the Trustees decided to resolve the Library's drainage problems before a "proverbial rainy day," we did not think of ourselves as prescient. We were well-satisfied when the new eavestroughs and downspouts were connected to the underground drainpipes and the land was regraded and re-seeded. For the first time in years, the building was snug and dry. Then, in September, Hurricane Floyd overwhelmed the eaves and rainwater flowed down interior walls, damaging not just walls and carpets on two levels, but a number of reference books. Fortunately, since we could document all of the recent work on the exterior drainage system, Town insurance will cover most of the interior damage: replacing sections of wall, carpets, and books. Susan Wright will coordinate reconstruction work. Meanwhile, we shall continue working with the town's Capital Improvement Committee on major long-term projects, and we are grateful to Bruce Cleare for his assistance. Special thanks also to Anita Husted and Liz Dwight who undertook the immediate clean-up work.

During the year, we replaced the Librarian's computer and the copy machine. Both - along with an ornamental tree and the flagpole - succumbed to old age. The Lions Club maintained the handicapped access ramp with coats of wood preservative. Nancy and Herb Steeper created an adjacent memorial garden in honor of his mother and step-father who died in 1998. There is an underplanting of spring bulbs, and summer annuals will fill in until the rhododendrons are larger. Also, a new revolving paperback book rack for the children's room has been a great delight for the younger set.

For the second year, the Library received a Family Network Grant from the State. It provides funds for a person to plan and manage Story Hours throughout the year. The Trustees also note with pride another successful Summer Reading Program. Almost 90% of the 73 registrants fulfilled at least one of the requirements; 80% completed the entire program.

We hope everyone in Town will join us in celebrating the Library's fiftieth anniversary in the millennial year 2000.

Herbert F. Steeper, Chair
Elizabeth Dwight
Paula Howes
Anita Husted
Sandra Saunders
Barbara Schneider

**LIBRARIAN'S ANNUAL
REPORT
S. WHITE DICKINSON
MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

STATISTICS

Circulation

Adult and Juvenile: Books, Audio,
periodicals and videocassettes
21,952

Book Collection December 1999
10, 596

REFERENCE QUESTIONS:

Internet, Whately History, American
Revolution, North American Indians,
Civil War, Animal husbandry (how to
raise goats), Biographies, Holocaust,
Greece, South America, Multi-cultural
cooking, Industrial Revolution, World
War II, Genealogy, Medieval castles,
Australia, and home improvements and
parenting.

POPULAR BOOKS

Dick Francis "Second Wind", Lilian
Jackson Braun "The cat series", Maeve
Binchy "Tara Road", Tom Clancy
"Rainbow Six", John Grisham "The
Testament", Barbra Delinsky "Coast
Road", Tracy Kidder "Home Town",
Danielle Steele "Bittersweet", Tom
Brokaw "The Greatest Generation",
Frank McCourt "Angela's Ashes" and
our local authors Olive Warner Kellog
Damon's "Memoirs, Thing I
Remember", Jeannine Atkins, "Mary
Anning and the Sea Dragon".

EXHIBITS

Quilted wall hangings by Lois Bean,
Whately resident. The themes of Lois's
quilts were: Birds, desert scene, cats and
beehives. Janet Hale, Whately resident,

the themes of Janet's quilted wall
hangings were: traditional quilting
blocks, seasonal (hearts for Valentine's
Day) and holiday themes.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

1999 Theme: **"Funny Things Happen
When you Read"**

Sponsored in part by Western Mass
Regional Library System. Sponsors
from our community:

J. Atkins and family, Whately Cultural
Council, Mona Wilson for her art work.
There were 75 children in the summer
reading program this year from ages 2 –
15. The program is separated by the age
of the children. The youngest ages 2 – 6
are in the "Read to me Club", parents
read books to the children and complete
the guidelines of the club. The second
group of children ages 6 – 15 read
independently and have guidelines to
follow. All children log their books
which are provided by the Western Mass
Regional Library System. The book
logs are turned in at the end of the
program and the children receive
incentive gifts donated by the sponsors.
This year some of the incentive gifts
were:

Books, arts and crafts items, audio
books, sports bottles, T shirts with
summer reading program logo "Funny
Things Happen When you Read!", book
marks, and games.

SPECIAL PARTY!

Carol Freebourne, storyteller entertained
the children and families in June at the
special kick off party for the Summer
Reading Program. Carol let the children
choose stories taken from her Magic
Cape, this program was sponsored by the
Whately Cultural Council and the
library.

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

The Franklin County Family Network Grant sponsored this program with Robin Phaneuf as the energetic, creative storyteller. This program runs from September thru June. All pre-schoolers and parent/guardians are welcome. Thanks to Whately parents for bringing snacks for the children to enjoy. The library provides juice, cups and paper plates.

A big **Thank You** to the Whately residents that answered the (spring and fall cleaning/don't throw it out) calls for craft materials to support these programs. Items received: colored construction paper, tag board, pipe cleaners, magic markers, tape, bright colored craft paper, glue sticks, crayons, and children's scissors.

VOLUNTEERS

Library staff are grateful for friends of the library: Wilma and Carl Brooks, Gertrude Bardwell, Mona Wilson, Carolyn Miller, Regina LoBello.

DONATIONS

Jeannine Atkins, Olive and Alan Damon, Jr., Virginia Gagnon, Robert Duda, Trisha Perham, Adelia Bardwell, Harry Robinson, Joyce Tutun, Lois Bean, Whately Lions Club, Whately Ladies Benevolent Society.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy L. Marchefka
Librarian

1999 Annual Report of the Town Clerk

It is with great pleasure that I submit my first annual report to the citizens of Whately. After 38 years of visiting Virginia Allis in her home office for their Town Clerk business the residents of Whately have had a big adjustment. I would like to thank the residents for their support and understanding during this time of transition and I hope that the change was not too traumatic. I have set up the following office hours at the Center School Offices:

Tuesdays from Noon – 7:00
Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Other hours by appointment.

If you have special needs that make visiting my office in the Center School difficult, please call me at 665-0054 and I will make arrangements to meet you in a more accessible location.

I would like to thank Virginia Allis for all her help and guidance. It is very comforting to know she is available as a resource and a friend.

The following is a summary of the activities of the Town Clerk's office for 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Sibley
Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
22	12	17	14	5

MARRIAGES

1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
4	5	5	7	4

DEATHS

1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
13	10	11	8	15

1999 DOG LICENSES

39	Male Dogs @ \$10.00	\$ 390.00
113	Neutered Male Dogs @ \$5.00	565.00
19	Female Dogs @ \$10.00	190.00
151	Spayed Female Dogs @ \$5.00	755.00
1	Kennel @ \$30.00	30.00
1	Kennel @ \$40.00	<u>40.00</u>
		\$1,970.00
	Plus Fines Charged for Late Licensing	<u>800.00</u>
	Total Turned Over to Treasurer	\$2,770.00
	Less Fees Paid	<u>322.00</u>
	Total Dog License Revenue	\$2,448.00

1999 FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE RETURN

18	Resident Fishing @ \$22.50	405.00
1	Resident Fishing Minor @ \$6.50	6.50
2	Resident Fishing Age 65-69 @ \$11.25	22.50
10	Resident Fishing Handicapped – free	--
4	Non- Resident Fishing @ \$32.50	130.00
1	Non-Resident Fishing-Minor @ \$6.50	6.50
6	Resident Citizen Hunting @ \$22.50	135.00
2	Resident Citizen Minor Hunting @ \$6.50	13.00
21	Resident Sporting @ \$40.00	840.00
1	Resident Sporting Age 65-69 @ \$20.00	20.00
29	Resident Citizen Sporting Over age 70 – free	--
2	Duplicate Sporting @\$2.50	5.00
7	Archery Stamp @ \$5.10	35.70
2	Waterfowl Stamp \$5.00	10.00
9	Primitive Firearms Stamp @ \$5.10	45.90
50	Wild Conservation Stamp (Resident) @ \$5.00	250.00
4	Wild Conservation Stamp (Non-Resident) @ \$5.00	<u>20.00</u>
	Total	1,945.10
	Additional \$1.00 surcharge	<u>31.00</u>
	Amount turned over to Town Treasurer	1,976.10
	Less 56 fees @ \$.50	- 28.00
	Less 2 fees @ \$.25	- .50
	Less 16 fees @ \$.10	- 1.60
	Less Surcharge Fees of \$1.00	- 31.00
	Paid to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts	1,915.00

OTHER FEES COLLECTED BY TOWN CLERK

Zoning Board – Appeals	350.00
Planning Board – Site Plans	70.00
Sale of by-laws and sub-division	24.00
Sale of Street Listing	35.00
Copies	1.60
Gas Renewal Permits	2.00
Vitals	289.00
Universal Commercial Codes	752.75
Business Certificates	186.00
Resident's Lists	10.00
Resident Labels	8.00
Auctioneer Permit	<u>15.00</u>
 Total Turned over to Treasurer	 1,743.35
Fees Paid to Town Clerk	<u>1,229.75</u>
Total Paid to Town Treasury in Clerk Receipts	513.60

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF WHATELY
JUNE 22, 1999**

Article 1. Upon motion made and seconded, it was unanimously

Voted that the town transfer from the FY99 Elementary School Operating Account the sum of \$10,000.00 to the FY99 School Carpet Replacement Account.

Article 2. Upon motion made and seconded, it was unanimously

Voted that the town transfer from the FY99 Temporary Loan Interest Account the sum of \$6,607 to the FY99 School Carpet Replacement Account.

Article 3. It was moved and seconded,

That the town vote to transfer and appropriate from unappropriated funds (free cash) the sum of \$14,824 for the FY00 Frontier Regional Operating Budget.

The Motion was defeated by a vote of:

Yes	5
No	30

Article 4. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

Voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$220,000.00 by borrowing to purchase and equip a new pumper/tanker combination vehicle for the Fire Department and to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to issue any bonds or notes that may be necessary for that purpose, as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 Section 7(9) for a period not to exceed 5 years, provided however that this appropriation and debt authorization be contingent upon passage of a Proposition 2 1/2 debt exclusion referendum under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 21C (k).

This Article required a 2/3 vote which was as follows:

Yes	38
No	0

Article 5. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

Voted to amend Article 13 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 30, 1996 at which time the town appropriated the sum of \$20,000 from the stabilization fund for the purpose of purchasing a used Cab and Chassis for use as a Fire Department Tanker by amending the vote to allow the funds to be expended for the purchase of a new pumper/tanker combination vehicle for the Fire Department.

Article 6. Upon motion made and seconded, it was unanimously

Voted that the Town transfer from the FY99 Temporary Loan Interest Account the sum of \$5,000 for the closing and capping of the wood waste landfill on Webber Road as ordered by the Department of Environmental Protection.

Article 7. Upon motion made and seconded, it was unanimously

Voted that the town transfer the balance of the County Dog Fund Account which amounts to \$550.59 to the Whately Elementary School for its use.

Article 8. Upon motion made and seconded, it was unanimously

Voted that the town accept Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 42A and Sections 42B through 42F inclusive related to the collection of water rates.

Article 9. This article contained two motions voted on separately.

Motion 1. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

Voted that the Town accept as a public and town way under the authority of Chapter 82 of the Massachusetts General Laws a portion of River Road as relocated and laid out by the Selectmen on June 8, 1999 and shown on a plan thereof which, together with a written description of same has been filed with the Town Clerk. This relocation and layout is further described as follows:

Description of the Relocation of a Portion of River Road:

Beginning at a broken concrete bound on the westerly sideline of River Road, said bound being the southeast corner of land of G.A.P. Leasing Corp.; thence running N10°40'00"E a distance of 364.58 feet to a point on the westerly sideline of River Road; thence running N18°16'04"E a distance of 108.47 feet to a point on said westerly sideline of River Road; thence running N31°32'01"E a distance of 146.05 feet to the road stone at the Deerfield/Whately townline; thence running N29°54'05"E a distance of 10.67 feet to a point on the townline as defined by Plan Book 49, Page 75 recorded in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Franklin County Division of Deeds; thence turning and running along said townline N81°35'34"E a distance of 63.71 feet to a point on the easterly sideline of River Road; thence turning and running S29°54'05"W a distance of 50.88 feet to a point on said easterly sideline; thence running S31°32'01"W a distance of 140.95 feet to a point on said easterly sideline; thence running S18°16'04"W a distance of 99.33 feet to a point on said easterly sideline; thence running S10°40'00"W a distance of 360.16 feet to a point on said easterly sideline; thence running S08°10'18"W a distance of 214.68 feet to bound point #1 of the 1901 County Relocation of River Road at the intersection of Sugarloaf Street Extension; thence turning and running along the easterly sideline of said 1901 County Relocation N15°17'15"W a distance of 262.04 feet to a stone bound to be set at land of G.A.P. Leasing Corp.; thence turning and running along said land of G.A.P. Leasing Corp. S34°53'40"E a distance of 41.30 feet to a stone bound to be set; thence turning and running N86°09'20"E a distance of 26.70 feet to the point of beginning.

All references to the sidelines of the existing Town layout of River Road are to the approximate layout lines.

A 2/3 vote was required. Motion passed with a vote as follows:

Yes 40
No 1

Motion 2: Upon motion made and seconded, it was

Voted that the Board of Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to acquire by eminent domain under Chapter 79 and 82 of the Massachusetts General Laws the following permanent highway easements for the purpose of relocating and laying out a portion of River Road including all purposes of a public road and highway as shown on a plan of said relocation and as relocated and laid out by the Selectmen on June 8, 1999 and said plan having been filed with the Town Clerk:

Parcel 1: Owner believed to be G.A.P. Leasing Corp.

Beginning at a broken concrete bound on the easterly sideline of the 1901 County Relocation (AKA Sugarloaf Street Extension) said bound being the southwest corner of the parcel herein described; thence running along said easterly sideline N15°17'15"W a distance of 36.10 feet to a stone bound to be set; thence turning and running S34°53'40"E a distance of 41.30 feet to a stone bound to be set; thence turning and running S86°9'20"W a distance of 14.14 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 250.00 square feet.

Parcel 2: Owners believed to be Edward C. Wykowski and Caroline M. Wykowski

Beginning at a broken concrete bound on the westerly sideline of River Road, said bound being the northeast corner of the parcel herein described; thence running S8°10'18"W a distance of 100.68 feet to a point on the easterly sideline of the 1901 County Relocation (AKA Sugarloaf Street Extension); thence turning and running N15°17'15"W a distance of 100.46 feet to a broken concrete bound on said easterly sideline; thence turning and running N86°9'20"E a distance of 40.84 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 2,009.50 square feet.

And, further, to meet the costs of damages for said permanent highway easement acquisitions, to expend the sum of Six Hundred Sixty-two and 00/100 Dollars (\$662.00) from free cash.

A 2/3 vote was required. Motion passed with a vote of:

Yes	40
No	1

TOWN SPECIAL DEBT-EXCLUSION VOTE JULY 1, 1999

Voted that the Town of Whately be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to purchase and equip a new pumper/tanker combinations truck for the Fire Department.

The vote was as follows: Yes 100
No 23

TOWN OF WHATELY, BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 1999

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>TRUST & AGENCY</u>	<u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>
Cash, Petty	\$500.00			
Cash, Pooled	645,700.55	\$103,363.89	\$513,194.95	
1999 Personal Property	\$1,036.67			
1998 Personal Property	444.18			
Total Personal Property	1,480.85			
1999 Real Estate	69,407.69			
1998 Real Estate	45,020.67			
1997 Real Estate	31,815.33			
1996 Real Estate	22,964.08			
1995 Real Estate	14,277.64			
1994 Real Estate	3,338.56			
1993 Real Estate	556.06			
Total Real Estate	187,380.03			
1999 Allow. for Abate.& Exempt.	(5,931.65)			
1998 Allow. for Abate.& Exempt.	(9,208.27)			
1997 Allow. for Abate.& Exempt.	(9,239.47)			
1996 Allow. for Abate.& Exempt.	(8,653.67)			
1995 Allow. for Abate.& Exempt.	(5.33)			
1994 Allow. for Abate.& Exempt.	(8,284.64)			
1993 Allow. for Abate.& Exempt.	(1,556.98)			
Total Allow. for Abate.& Exempt.	(42,880.01)			
Rollback Taxes	198.13			
Tax Liens	7,291.29			
1999 Motor Vehicle Excise	9,362.14			
1998 Motor Vehicle Excise	1,298.50			
1997 Motor Vehicle Excise	948.33			
1996 Motor Vehicle Excise	1,337.84			
1995 Motor Vehicle Excise	1,375.33			
Total Motor Vehicle Excise	14,322.14			
Water Charges	35,124.46			
Insufficient Funds Checks Due	103.00			
Amnt. to be Provided-School Bond				\$2,350,000.00
Amnt. to be Provided-Water Project				866,639.71
TOTAL ASSETS	\$849,220.44	\$103,363.89	\$513,194.95	\$3,216,639.71

TOWN OF WHATELY, BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 1999

<u>LIABILITIES</u>	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>TRUST & AGENCY</u>	<u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>
Warrants Payable	\$20,969.44	\$7,885.22	\$653.30	
Federal Withhold Payable	0.00			
FICA Withhold Payable	0.00			
Medicare Withhold Payable	0.00			
State Withhold Payable	0.00			
Retirement Withhold Payable	0.00			
Teach. Retire. Withhold	0.00			
Health Insurance Withholding Payable	(778.01)			
Life Insurance Withholding Payable	14.05			
Long Term Disability	164.84			
Teachers Dues	0.00			
Tax Sheltered Annuities	0.00			
Pebasco-Deferred Compensation	0.00			
Def.Rev.- Property & Real Estate Taxes	145,980.87			
Def.Rev.-Tax Liens	7,291.29			
Def.Rev.- Motor Vehicle Excise	14,322.14			
Def.Rev.-Rollback Taxes	198.13			
Def.Rev.-Water Charges	35,124.46			
Off Duty Details			68.00	
Due to State Firearms			225.00	
Fire Dept. Inspections			(188.00)	
Fish & Game Licenses			(0.50)	
Town Clerk Fees			(0.50)	
Bonds Payable, School				\$2,350,000.00
Bonds Payable, Water Project				866,639.71
TOTAL LIABILITIES	223,287.21	7,885.22	757.30	3,216,639.71

TOWN OF WHATELY, BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 1999

<u>FUND EQUITY</u>	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>TRUST & AGENCY</u>	<u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>
Reserve for Encumbrances	\$75,903.77			
Free Cash to Balance FY2000	53,105.00			
Reserve for Carryovers	142,312.40			
Undesignated Fund Balance	355,432.06			
Over/Under Assessments	(820.00)			
Cultural Council		\$2,529.60		
School Cafeteria		5,030.15		
Tank Grant - DOR		(9,438.15)		
Highway Grant #37167		(20,817.36)		
Septic Grant		15,480.74		
Dog Licenses & Control		3,549.17		
Recreation Revolving		3,550.83		
Wetlands Protection Fund		840.00		
Road Machinery		15,882.68		
Sale of Cemetery Lots		3,330.00		
Business Fund for Arts		325.00		
#240 Sped Assist 94-142		0.00		
PTO Donation-Library Books		622.27		
After School Program		5,466.46		
Early Childhood Tuition		19,206.60		
Damaged School Books		229.35		
School Building Use		593.52		
School Blazer Wishlist		7.94		
Degregorio		200.00		
Orloski Library Donation		55.71		
Helstowski		325.58		
Dog Fund		550.59		
Xeric Computer Donation		10,490.00		
Berkshire Gas Legal		(3,540.00)		
C.O.P.S. Universal		(433.88)		
D.A.R.E.		2,163.14		
Community Policing		13,412.34		
Law Enforcement		(164.90)		
DWI/Speeding/Seatbelt Enforcement		(1,337.68)		
MRF Mini Grant		250.00		
Cops M.O.R.E.		(968.97)		
Master Plan Grant		2,332.81		
Strategic Planning Grant		2,825.00		
Cops F.A.S.T.		(1,451.45)		
Lib. Incentive Grant LIG		4,630.31		
Lib. Muni. Equal. Grant MEG		1,258.54		
Lib. Non-Res. Circ. Grant		1,235.54		
Mitigation Fund		100.00		
D.A.R.E. Donations		860.12		
Emergency Vehicle Fund		6,936.00		
Rec/Youth Blazer Proceeds		3,936.00		
Cruiser Fees for Details		4,378.47		
Lib. Lions Club Donations		360.11		
Lib. Donations		138.45		
Lib. Lost Books		25.00		
Summer Reading		339.10		
PWED Grant		0.20		
CDAG Grant		181.74		

TOWN OF WHATELY, BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1999

<u>FUND EQUITY</u>	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>TRUST & AGENCY</u>	<u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>
Stabilization			\$287,335.81	
Barnard Church Non-Exp.			\$1,000.00	
Barnard Church Exp.			84.16	
Davenport Non-exp.			200.00	
Davenport exp.			1,802.80	
Whately Grange non-Exp.			50.00	
Whately Grange exp.			64.35	
Ambulance Replacement Fund			100.49	
Cemetery, non-expendable			33,925.00	
Cemetery, expendable			7,629.24	
Library, non-expendable			81,400.00	
Dickinson Library			48,766.03	
Annie Danforth Library			660.44	
J & J Maiewski Library			1,762.05	
Paul Field Library			11,672.56	
Era Cane Expendable			25,413.73	
Filipkowski Expendable			3,578.03	
S.W.Dickinson Aged non-exp.			5,000.00	
S.W.Dickinson Aged exp.			1,992.98	
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	625,933.23	95,478.67	512,437.65	0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	\$849,220.44	\$103,363.89	\$513,194.95	\$3,216,639.71

Expense Category / Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance	% Exp
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>							
Moderator 015114-110		92.00		92.00	92.00		100
Community Calendar 015122-312		266.00		266.00	265.63	0.37	100
Selectmen's Office 015122-780		11,140.00		11,140.00	11,109.63	30.37	100
FY98 Selectb.Bill of P 015122-781			160.00	160.00	160.00		100
Town Administrator 015123-780		38,246.00		38,246.00	38,246.00		100
Finance Committee 015131-780		150.00		150.00	150.00		100
Reserve Fund 015132-780		20,000.00	(10,953.73)	9,046.27		9,046.27	0
Audit Town Finance 015135-300		4,000.00		4,000.00	4,000.00		100
Town Accountant 015135-780		11,819.00		11,819.00	11,464.35	354.65	97
Assessors 015141-780		20,394.00		20,394.00	19,994.13	399.87	98
FY98 Assess.Bill of Pr 015141-980			71.99	71.99	71.99		100
Town Treasurer 015145-780		36,282.00	500.00	36,782.00	36,782.00		100
Legal Counsel 015151-300		5,000.00	3,000.00	8,000.00	7,625.98	374.02	95
Town Clerk 015161-780		15,458.00	1,251.00	16,709.00	16,693.25	15.75	100
Conservation Commissio 015171-780		250.00		250.00	107.61	142.39	43
Planning Board 015175-780		1,210.00		1,210.00	826.77	383.23	68
Zoning Board of Appeal 015176-780		1,088.00		1,088.00	282.49	805.51	26
Town Building Operatio 015192-780		19,675.00		19,675.00	19,492.56	182.44	99
Prop. & Liab. Insuranc 015193-740		21,210.00	2.00	21,212.00	21,212.00		100
Town Report 015195-780		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00		100
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	0.00	207,780.00	(5,968.74)	201,811.26	190,076.39	11,734.87	94
<u>PROTECT. PERSONS & PROPERTY</u>							
Police Department 015210-780		28,707.00		28,707.00	28,431.66	275.34	99
Fire Department 015220-780		17,862.00	1,500.00	19,362.00	18,083.37	1,278.63	93
FY98 Fire - Bill of Pr 015220-980			267.95	267.95	267.95		100
Ambulance 015231-120		11,265.00	633.60	11,898.60	11,466.40	432.20	96
Franklin Inspect. Prog 015241-780		28,038.00	0.13	28,038.13	28,038.13		100
Animal Inspector 015249-110		251.00		251.00	251.00		100
Emergency Management 015291-780		910.00		910.00	745.02	164.98	82
Animal Control Officer 015292-780		2,004.00		2,004.00	1,869.48	134.52	93
Tree Dept. 015294-780		3,907.00		3,907.00	3,061.78	845.22	78
TOTAL PROTECT. PERSONS & PROPERTY	0.00	92,944.00	2,401.68	95,345.68	92,214.79	3,130.89	97
<u>EDUCATION</u>							
Transportation,Element 015300-330		37,015.00	(6,500.00)	30,515.00	30,205.00	310.00	99
Whately Elementary Sch 015300-780		752,817.00	(10,000.00)	742,817.00	666,925.35	75,891.65	90
School Carpet Replacem 015300-785			23,107.00	23,107.00	23,107.00		100
Fixed Assets, Elementa 015300-852		2,000.00		2,000.00	1,924.99	75.01	96
Frontier Regional Oper 015310-690	36,817.00	545,764.00		582,581.00	571,482.87	11,098.13	98
Frontier,Exist.Capit.C 015310-692		3,070.00		3,070.00	3,070.00		100
Frontier,BAN Interest 015310-693		134,662.00		134,662.00	134,662.00		100
Frontier, Transportati 015310-694		12,462.00		12,462.00	12,462.00		100
F.C.Tech School Operat 015320-690		77,159.00		77,159.00	77,159.00		100
F.C.Tech.,Transportati 015320-692		4,141.00		4,141.00	4,141.00		100
F.C.Tech.,Other Costs 015320-693		10,600.00		10,600.00	10,600.00		100
TOTAL EDUCATION	36,817.00	1,579,690.00	6,607.00	1,623,114.00	1,535,739.21	87,374.79	95
<u>PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES</u>							
Highway Salaries 015422-110		55,783.00		55,783.00	54,766.41	1,016.59	98

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Expense Category / Account		Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance	% Exp
General Highway 015422-780			53,304.00		53,304.00	53,262.10	41.90	100
Road Machinery 015422-781			20,500.00		20,500.00	20,192.53	307.47	99
Garage Maintenance 015422-782			3,990.00		3,990.00	3,979.93	10.07	100
Winter Roads 015423-780			65,578.00		65,578.00	64,000.16	1,577.84	98
FC Solid Waste Distric 015431-300			1,979.00		1,979.00	1,979.00		100
Solid Waste Disposal 015433-300			28,442.00		28,442.00	26,312.10	2,129.90	93
Hazardous Waste Collec 015433-303			750.00		750.00	124.78	625.22	17
Water Dept. Salaries 015450-110			17,968.00		17,968.00	17,576.46	391.54	98
Water Dept. Operations 015450-780			21,954.00		21,954.00	21,866.64	87.36	100
Cemetery Commission 015491-780			5,138.00		5,138.00	5,133.05	4.95	100
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES		0.00	275,386.00	0.00	275,386.00	269,193.16	6,192.84	98
<u>HUMAN SERVICES</u>								
Health Agent 015510-200			11,706.00		11,706.00	11,512.90	193.10	98
Board of Health 015510-780			2,635.00		2,635.00	1,769.00	866.00	67
Council on Aging 015541-780			1,000.00		1,000.00	999.84	0.16	100
Veteran's Benefits 015543-770			4,000.00	4,000.00	8,000.00	6,610.30	1,389.70	83
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES		0.00	19,341.00	4,000.00	23,341.00	20,892.04	2,448.96	90
<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>								
Library 015610-780			27,590.00	68.00	27,658.00	27,605.65	52.35	100
Tri-Town Beach 015630-664			3,120.00		3,120.00	3,015.26	104.74	97
Recreation Commission 015630-780			3,500.00	250.00	3,750.00	3,697.77	52.23	99
TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION		0.00	34,210.00	318.00	34,528.00	34,318.68	209.32	99
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>								
Water Sys. Prin. & Int 015710-910			121,263.00		121,263.00	121,263.00		100
New School Prin. & Int 015710-911			365,508.00		365,508.00	365,507.50	0.50	100
Temp. Loan Int. 015752-925			22,000.00	(11,607.00)	10,393.00		10,393.00	0
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE		0.00	508,771.00	(11,607.00)	497,164.00	486,770.50	10,393.50	98
<u>INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENSES</u>								
Charter School Assessm 015820-630						2,926.00	(2,926.00)	0
Air Poll. Control Dist 015820-640			383.00		383.00	383.00		100
FY98 RMV Non-renewal F 015820-648			1,260.00		1,260.00	820.00	440.00	65
Regional Transit Autho 015820-663			565.00		565.00	565.00		100
FRCOG Assessment 015830-622			15,129.00		15,129.00	14,978.96	150.04	99
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENSES		0.00	17,337.00	0.00	17,337.00	19,672.96	(2,335.96)	113
<u>MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES</u>								
Franklin Retirement 015911-170			65,088.00		65,088.00	32,544.00	32,544.00	50
Worker's Comp. Ins 015912-170			6,100.00		6,100.00	5,168.50	931.50	85
Unemployment Compensat 015913-170			1,600.00		1,600.00	16.20	1,583.80	1
Employee Health Ins. 015914-170			120,000.00		120,000.00	110,402.90	9,597.10	92
Mill River Eros.Grnt-T 015996-962				40,000.00	40,000.00		40,000.00	0
Trans.Audit Adj. to Tr 015996-965						2,389.14	(2,389.14)	0
Transfer to Stabilizat 015996-966			4,300.00	15,000.00	19,300.00	19,300.00		100
Encumbrances in Fund 015999-902		53,104.03			53,104.03	47,042.94	6,061.09	89

Expense Category / Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance	% Exp
Specials Projects Fund 015999-903	73,772.25		84,862.00	158,634.25	56,304.28	102,329.97	35
Overlay Deficit 015999-999		166.21		166.21	166.21		100
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	126,876.28	197,254.21	139,862.00	463,992.49	273,334.17	190,658.32	59
TOTAL EXPENSES:	163,693.28	2,932,713.21	135,612.94	3,232,019.43	2,922,211.90	309,807.53	90

Revenue Category / Account	Estimated Revenue	Revenue Revisions	Revised Estimated Rev.	Actual Revenue	Balance	% Rec
<u>TAXES and EXCISES</u>						
Personal Property Taxes (01-4-110-000)	54,642.29		54,642.29	54,054.71	587.58	99
Real Estate Taxes (01-4-120-000)	2,098,038.14		2,098,038.14	2,085,039.83	12,998.31	99
Allow for Abate & Exempts (01-4-130-000)	(19,474.22)		(19,474.22)		(19,474.22)	0
Motor Vehicle Excise (01-4-150-000)	81,000.00		81,000.00	116,272.90	(35,272.90)	144
Post abate MV collections (01-4-151-000)				259.48	(259.48)	0
Farm Animal Excise (01-4-162-000)	6,000.00		6,000.00	5,730.75	269.25	96
Chap.61 Rollback Taxes (01-4-164-000)				9,988.54	(9,988.54)	0
Interest on Property Tax (01-4-171-000)	11,000.00		11,000.00	24,092.83	(13,092.83)	219
Interest on Excises (01-4-172-000)				811.14	(811.14)	0
Interest on Farm/Animal (01-4-174-000)				4.27	(4.27)	0
Water Rates Interest (01-4-175-000)				355.57	(355.57)	0
Room Occupancy Tax (01-4-191-000)				1,292.00	(1,292.00)	0
TOTAL TAXES and EXCISES:	2,231,206.21	0.00	2,231,206.21	2,297,902.02	(66,695.81)	103
<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>						
Water Rates (01-4-210-000)	83,000.00		83,000.00	47,569.69	35,430.31	57
Disconn.Water Meter Penal (01-4-210-001)				25.00	(25.00)	0
Water Hookups (01-4-220-001)				5,000.00	(5,000.00)	0
Trash Receipts (01-4-247-000)	19,000.00		19,000.00	18,880.50	119.50	99
Ambulance Receipts (01-4-271-000)	13,500.00		13,500.00	27,144.08	(13,644.08)	201
TOTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES:	115,500.00	0.00	115,500.00	98,619.27	16,880.73	85
<u>DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE</u>						
Cable TV Franchise Fees (01-4-320-001)				215.00	(215.00)	0
B.O.H. Fees (01-4-320-003)	10,000.00		10,000.00	2,740.00	7,260.00	27
PD Accident Reports (01-4-320-004)				70.00	(70.00)	0
RMV Clearing Charges (01-4-320-005)				1,040.00	(1,040.00)	0
Fees - Fire Dept. (01-4-321-000)				323.00	(323.00)	0
Tax Collector Fees (01-4-322-000)				4,054.00	(4,054.00)	0
Fees - Planning Board (01-4-327-000)				183.80	(183.80)	0
Fees - Zoning Board (01-4-330-000)				200.00	(200.00)	0
Admin.Fee,Off-duty Detail (01-4-332-000)				1,194.20	(1,194.20)	0
COBRA admin fees (01-4-333-000)				11.06	(11.06)	0
Rentals (01-4-360-000)	20,000.00		20,000.00	11,582.50	8,417.50	58
Cell Tower Land Rental (01-4-360-001)				18,180.00	(18,180.00)	0
Liquor Licenses (01-4-410-000)				6,425.00	(6,425.00)	0
Licenses - Other (01-4-420-000)				630.00	(630.00)	0
Permits - Building Dept. (01-4-450-000)	21,600.00		21,600.00	6,835.00	14,765.00	32
Public Bldgs. Inspection (01-4-450-001)				699.00	(699.00)	0
Permits - Plumbing (01-4-452-000)				2,575.00	(2,575.00)	0
Permits - Wiring (01-4-453-000)				3,970.00	(3,970.00)	0
Permits - Other (01-4-454-000)				1,034.00	(1,034.00)	0
TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE:	51,600.00	0.00	51,600.00	61,961.56	(10,361.56)	120
<u>STATE REVENUE</u>						
State Owned Land (01-4-611-000)	1,784.00		1,784.00	1,784.00		100
Abatements to Veterans (01-4-613-000)				1,625.00	(1,625.00)	0
Vets,Blind,Surviving Abt. (01-4-614-000)	1,325.00		1,325.00		1,325.00	0
Abatements to the Elderly (01-4-616-000)	2,516.00		2,516.00	2,516.00		100

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FY1999 Revenue Report (All Entries) - General Fund

Revenue Category / Account	Estimated Revenue	Revenue Revisions	Revised Estimated Rev.	Actual Revenue	Balance	% Rec
School Aid Chapter 70 (01-4-620-000)	71,258.00		71,258.00	71,258.00		100
School Transportation (01-4-621-000)	8,561.00		8,561.00	7,967.00	594.00	93
Const of School Project (01-4-630-000)	227,298.00		227,298.00	227,298.00		100
Veteren's Benefits (01-4-660-000)	4,145.00		4,145.00	1,245.38	2,899.62	30
Lottery Aid (01-4-661-000)	98,950.00		98,950.00	98,950.00		100
FY98 Excess Lottery Aid (01-4-661-098)		4,699.94	4,699.94	8,078.00	(3,378.06)	172
Highway Fund (01-4-672-000)	29,320.00		29,320.00	29,320.00		100
Extended Polling Hours (01-4-691-000)		251.00	251.00	251.00		100
TOTAL STATE REVENUE:	445,157.00	4,950.94	450,107.94	450,292.38	(184.44)	100
OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV						
RMV Fines (01-4-770-001)	25,000.00		25,000.00	36,192.72	(11,192.72)	145
District Court Fines (01-4-770-002)				3,005.00	(3,005.00)	0
Overdue Library Books (01-4-770-003)				174.44	(174.44)	0
TOTAL OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV:	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	39,372.16	(14,372.16)	157
MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES						
Earnings of Investments (01-4-820-000)	21,000.00		21,000.00	20,043.43	956.57	95
NSF Check Charges (01-4-840-004)				275.00	(275.00)	0
Street List Sales (01-4-840-006)				40.00	(40.00)	0
Copies (01-4-840-007)				68.41	(68.41)	0
Sale of bylaws (01-4-840-008)				288.50	(288.50)	0
Sale of Town Histories (01-4-840-014)				51.00	(51.00)	0
FY97 School Exp. Refund (01-4-841-001)				287.35	(287.35)	0
Recycling Proceeds (01-4-841-004)				543.25	(543.25)	0
Workers Comp Audit Refund (01-4-841-012)				627.00	(627.00)	0
Advertising Reimb (01-4-841-014)				49.04	(49.04)	0
Sale of Old Water Truck (01-4-841-015)				5,200.00	(5,200.00)	0
Asbestos Settlement (01-4-841-016)				32.00	(32.00)	0
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES:	21,000.00	0.00	21,000.00	27,504.98	(6,504.98)	131
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
Free Cash to bal budget (01-4-999-900)	43,250.00		43,250.00	43,250.00		100
Funded by Carryover (01-4-999-901)		110,589.25	110,589.25	110,589.25		100
Funded by Encumbrance (01-4-999-902)		53,104.03	53,104.03	53,104.03		100
Funded by "Free Cash" (01-4-999-903)		130,662.00	130,662.00	130,662.00		100
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	43,250.00	294,355.28	337,605.28	337,605.28	0.00	100
TOTAL REVENUES:	2,932,713.21	299,306.22	3,232,019.43	3,313,257.65	(81,238.22)	103

Fund Number / Expense Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance
FUND 02 ENCUMBERANCES						
Encmb.Selectboard Exp. 025122-780	663.61			663.61	663.34	0.27
Encmb School Exp 025300-780	52,243.54			52,243.54	46,182.72	6,060.82
Encmb Library Exp 025610-780	196.88			196.88	196.88	
TOTAL FUND 02:	53,104.03	0.00	0.00	53,104.03	47,042.94	6,061.09
FUND 03 SPECIAL PROJECTS/ARTICLES						
Surplus Property 035122-850	2,000.00			2,000.00		2,000.00
River Rd Easements 035122-990			662.00	662.00		662.00
Computer Battery Backups 035135-990			200.00	200.00	200.00	
Revaluation 035142-780	1,717.57			1,717.57	1,700.00	17.57
#Paint Town Hall 035192-981	7,000.00			7,000.00	6,700.00	300.00
FD Stat. Emery Improve 035220-990			7,500.00	7,500.00		7,500.00
FD Turn Out Gear 035220-991			5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00
Wire & Upgrade Comp.Schol 035300-980	15,000.00			15,000.00	15,000.00	
Highway Truck 035422-990			42,500.00	42,500.00		42,500.00
Masterson Rd. 035429-093	9,903.48			9,903.48		9,903.48
Engineer-Landfill Permits 035433-304	1,651.20			1,651.20	1,651.20	
Close & Monitor Wood Dump 035433-980	6,500.00		4,000.00	10,500.00	4,608.80	5,891.20
Close & Cap Wood Dump 035433-990			25,000.00	25,000.00		25,000.00
New Water Dept. Truck 035450-980	30,000.00			30,000.00	26,444.28	3,555.72
TOTAL FUND 03:	73,772.25	0.00	84,862.00	158,634.25	56,304.28	102,329.97
FUND 21 Cultural Council Grants						
\$ FY98 Administrative 215198-000	99.97			99.97		99.97
\$ Dickinson Library 215198-001	550.00			550.00	550.00	
\$ Whately Elementary 215198-003	1,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00	
\$ Henry the Juggler 215198-004	325.00			325.00	325.00	
\$ Frontier Band Director 215198-005	125.00			125.00	125.00	
\$ Chapel Trustees 215198-006	350.00			350.00		350.00
Dickinson Lib.Storytell 215199-001		175.00		175.00		175.00
R.L. Hamelin-Pottery 215199-002		295.00		295.00		295.00
Ashfield Comm Theater 215199-003		60.00		60.00		60.00
J. Douglas-School 215199-004		20.00		20.00		20.00
Yankee Notions-Concert 215199-005		550.00		550.00		550.00
D. Bates-Stories & Songs 215199-006		300.00		300.00		300.00
Whately Hist.Society 215199-007		150.00		150.00	150.00	
Ele.Schl.Portraits&Mirror 215199-008		900.00		900.00	900.00	
Mohawk Trail Concerts 215199-009		300.00		300.00		300.00
D. Robinson-Concert 215199-010		550.00		550.00	550.00	
Unused State Funds 215200-000	225.80			225.80		225.80
Available Local Funds 215300-000	105.25		48.58	153.83		153.83
TOTAL FUND 21:	2,781.02	3,300.00	48.58	6,129.60	3,600.00	2,529.60
FUND 22 SCHOOL LUNCH						
School Lunch Expense 225300-780	1,442.60		24,064.70	25,507.30	20,477.15	5,030.15
TOTAL FUND 22:	1,442.60	0.00	24,064.70	25,507.30	20,477.15	5,030.15
FUND 23 HIGHWAY FUNDS						
Highway Grant #36462 235422-425	8,779.08			8,779.08	8,779.08	

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FY1999 Expenses Report (All Entries) - Other Funds

Fund Number / Expense Account		Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance
Highway Grant #8167 235422-427		1,804.54			1,804.54		1,804.54
Highway Grant #37167 Exp. 235422-428			111,558.00	(14,000.00)	97,558.00	69,393.82	28,164.18
Tank Grant - DOR 235422-429				14,000.00	14,000.00	9,438.15	4,561.85
TOTAL FUND 23:		10,583.62	111,558.00	0.00	122,141.62	87,611.05	34,530.57
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FUND 25 Septic Grant							
\$ Septic Grant-Administ 255123-000		340.36		6.86	347.22		347.22
Drawdown Pass Throughs 255770-000				12,000.00	12,000.00		12,000.00
\$ Available for Loans 255780-000		3,072.13		61.39	3,133.52		3,133.52
TOTAL FUND 25:		3,412.49	0.00	12,068.25	15,480.74	0.00	15,480.74
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FUND 26 VOTED REVOLVING FUNDS							
Dog licensing & Control 265292-780		1,000.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	1,000.00	339.83	660.17
Recreation Revolving 265630-780		2,382.50	5,000.00	(3,032.00)	4,350.50	799.67	3,550.83
TOTAL FUND 26:		3,382.50	6,000.00	(4,032.00)	5,350.50	1,139.50	4,211.00
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FUND 27 Receipts Res.for Appropri.							
County Dog Fund 275292-000		550.59			550.59	550.59	
FY98 Excess Lottery Funds 275661-000			8,078.00		8,078.00	4,699.94	3,378.06
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fnd 275781-000		3,030.00		300.00	3,330.00		3,330.00
Road Machinery Fund 275783-000		15,882.68	(8,000.00)		7,882.68		7,882.68
Highway Mower 275783-990			5,000.00		5,000.00		5,000.00
Highway Wood Chipper 275783-991			3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00
Available Free Cash 275785-000			304,459.00		304,459.00	183,767.00	120,692.00
Overlay Surplus 275786-000			6,336.14		6,336.14		6,336.14
TOTAL FUND 27:		19,463.27	318,873.14	300.00	338,636.41	189,017.53	149,618.88
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FUND 28 SCHOOL GRANTS							
#240 Sped Assist 94-142 285304-000		(816.54)		8,448.54	7,632.00	7,632.00	
Business Fund for the Art 285310-000				325.00	325.00		325.00
PTO Donation-Library Book 285560-300		622.27			622.27		622.27
After School Program 285560-304		2,528.51		12,645.00	15,173.51	9,707.05	5,466.46
Early Childhood Tuition 285560-305		11,660.85		38,928.00	50,588.85	31,382.25	19,206.60
Damaged School Books 285560-306		111.20		118.15	229.35		229.35
School Building Use 285560-307		330.77		262.75	593.52		593.52
Blazer Wish List 285560-309		7.94			7.94		7.94
DeGregorio Donation 285560-311		200.00			200.00		200.00
Orloski Library Donation 285560-312		55.71			55.71		55.71
Helstowski Donations 285560-313		304.58		100.00	404.58	79.00	325.58
Nature's Classroom 285560-314				3,481.50	3,481.50	3,481.50	
Dog Fund - School 285560-315				550.59	550.59		550.59
Xeric Computer Donation 285560-316				10,490.00	10,490.00		10,490.00
TOTAL FUND 28:		15,005.29	0.00	75,349.53	90,354.82	52,281.80	38,073.02
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FUND 29 Miscellaneous Special Rev							
Peer to Peer Grant 295122-120				850.00	850.00	850.00	
Berkshire Gas Legal 295151-990			6,000.00		6,000.00	9,540.00	(3,540.00)
Master Plan Grant 295175-780		2,332.81			2,332.81		2,332.81

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Fund Number / Expense Account		Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance
Strategic Planning Grant	295176-780	2,825.00			2,825.00		2,825.00
Mitigation Fund	295179-120	100.00			100.00		100.00
D.A.R.E. Donations	295210-780	860.12			860.12		860.12
C.O.P.S. More	295210-781 (	6,705.21)		10,769.24	4,064.03	5,031.00 (	966.97)
Cops F.A.S.T.	295210-783 (	2,115.38)		19,230.76	17,115.38	18,566.83 (	1,451.45)
COPS Universal	295210-784					433.88 (	433.88)
Cruiser Fees for Details	295210-785	5,300.81		1,623.50	6,924.31	2,545.84	4,378.47
FY98 D.A.R.E.	295211-098	2,215.06			2,215.06	2,174.84	40.22
FY99 D.A.R.E.	295211-099			7,000.00	7,000.00	4,877.08	2,122.92
FY98 Community Policing	295212-098	5,240.82			5,240.82	5,191.14	49.68
FY99 Community Policing	295212-099			16,000.00	16,000.00	2,637.34	13,362.66
DWI/Speeding/Seatbelts	295213-099			1,020.68	1,020.68	2,358.36 (	1,337.68)
Emer.Veh.Fund Blazer Proc	295290-780	6,936.00			6,936.00		6,936.00
Water Truck Ins.	295450-099			1,851.58	1,851.58	1,851.58	
MRF Mini Grant	295510-000		250.00		250.00		250.00
Council on Aging Grant	295541-780			2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	
Library L.I.G. Grant	295610-780	3,380.31		1,250.00	4,630.31		4,630.31
Library M.E.G. Grant	295610-781	1,528.11		402.33	1,930.44	671.90	1,258.54
Non Res. Circulat. Grant	295610-782	1,212.49		209.59	1,422.08	186.54	1,235.54
Library Blazer Proceeds	295610-783	202.38			202.38	202.38	
Lib.-Lions Club Donations	295610-784	327.67		1,388.97	1,716.64	1,356.53	360.11
Lib.-General Donations	295610-785	163.02		318.51	481.53	343.08	138.45
Lib.Lost,Damaged Books	295610-786	20.00		5.00	25.00		25.00
Summer Reading Program	295610-787	59.50		600.00	659.50	320.40	339.10
Rec/Youth Blazer Proceeds	295630-780	3,936.00			3,936.00		3,936.00
Wetlands Protection Fund	295782-000	800.00		40.00	840.00		840.00
TOTAL FUND 29:		28,619.51	6,250.00	64,960.16	99,829.67	61,538.72	38,290.95
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FUND 30 Capital Projects							
New Fire Truck	305220-990		220,000.00		220,000.00		220,000.00
TOTAL FUND 30:		0.00	220,000.00	0.00	220,000.00	0.00	220,000.00
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FUND 82 EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS							
\$ Barnard Church Fund	825101-780	30.55		53.61	84.16		84.16
\$ Davenport School & Poor	825102-780	1,703.74		99.06	1,802.80		1,802.80
\$ Whately Grange Monument	825103-780	58.69		5.66	64.35		64.35
\$ Ambulance Replacement	825231-780	95.54		4.95	100.49		100.49
\$ Cemetery Perpetual Care	825491-780	6,151.96	1.50	2,061.24	8,214.70	585.46	7,629.24
FY2000 Dickinson Aged	825541-200		1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00
\$ Ena Cane Memorial Fund	825610-782	24,935.39		1,296.40	26,231.79	818.06	25,413.73
\$ James Filipkowski	825610-783	3,401.08		176.95	3,578.03		3,578.03
\$ ER&Muriel Barker Fd	825610-784	2,951.46		13.68	2,965.14	2,965.14	
\$ Dickinson Library	825610-785	48,489.33	777.02	6,331.02	55,597.37	6,054.32	49,543.05
\$ Annie Danforth	825610-786	608.02		52.42	660.44		660.44
\$ J & J Majewski	825610-787	1,497.82	131.08	133.15	1,762.05		1,762.05
\$ Paul Field Library	825610-788	9,407.21	1,479.54	785.81	11,672.56		11,672.56
\$ S.W.Dickinson Aged Fund	825611-780	902.18 (1,000.00)	313.76	215.94		215.94
TOTAL FUND 82:		100,232.97	2,389.14	11,327.71	113,949.82	10,422.98	103,526.84
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FUND 83							
Available Stabilization	835000-000	234,742.78 (16,000.00)	17,593.03	236,335.81		236,335.81

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Fund Number / Expense Account		Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance
Fire Cab & Chassis	835097-001	20,000.00			20,000.00		20,000.00
New Ambulance	835231-980		31,000.00		31,000.00		31,000.00
TOTAL FUND 83:		254,742.78	15,000.00	17,593.03	287,335.81	0.00	287,335.81
TTL OTHER FUND EXPENSES:		566,542.33	683,370.28	286,541.96	1,536,454.57	529,435.95	1,007,018.62

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Fund Number / Revenue Account	Estimated Revenue	Revenue Revisions	Revised Estimated Rev.	Actual Revenue	Balance
FUND 21 Cultural Council Grants					
State Grant receipt (21-4-680-000)	3,300.00		3,300.00	3,300.00	
Interest Earned (21-4-820-000)		48.58	48.58	48.58	
Carryover Funding (21-4-999-901)		2,781.02	2,781.02		2,781.02
TOTAL FUND 21:	3,300.00	2,829.60	6,129.60	3,348.58	2,781.02
FUND 22 SCHOOL LUNCH					
Charges for Ser-Lunches (22-4-300-270)		15,756.00	15,756.00	15,756.00	
School Lunch-State (22-4-300-680)		718.14	718.14	718.14	
School Lunch-Sec 11 (22-4-300-681)		3,789.04	3,789.04	3,789.04	
School Lunch-Sec 04 (22-4-300-682)		1,801.52	1,801.52	1,801.52	
Trans.from General Fund (22-4-970-000)		2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Funded by Carryover (22-4-999-901)		1,442.60	1,442.60		1,442.60
TOTAL FUND 22:	0.00	25,507.30	25,507.30	24,064.70	1,442.60
FUND 23 HIGHWAY FUNDS					
Highway Grant #36462 (23-4-660-425)				10,250.76	(10,250.76)
Highway Grant #37167 Rev. (23-4-660-428)	111,558.00		111,558.00	48,576.46	62,981.54
Highway Grant #8167 (23-4-680-427)				6,791.46	(6,791.46)
Funded by Carryover (23-4-999-901)		10,583.62	10,583.62		10,583.62
TOTAL FUND 23:	111,558.00	10,583.62	122,141.62	65,618.68	56,522.94
FUND 25 Septic Grant					
State Grant Pass Throughs (25-4-680-000)		12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	
Interest Earned - 10% (25-4-820-000)		6.86	6.86	6.86	
Interest Earned 90% (25-4-820-090)		61.39	61.39	61.39	
Carryover Financing (25-4-999-901)		3,412.49	3,412.49		3,412.49
TOTAL FUND 25:	0.00	15,480.74	15,480.74	12,068.25	3,412.49
FUND 26 VOTED REVOLVING FUNDS					
Dog Licenses (26-4-292-420)				1,829.00	(1,829.00)
Dog Late Charges (26-4-292-771)				1,060.00	(1,060.00)
Recreation Revolving (26-4-630-830)		1,968.00	1,968.00	1,968.00	
Funded by Carryover (26-4-999-901)		3,382.50	3,382.50		3,382.50
TOTAL FUND 26:	0.00	5,350.50	5,350.50	4,857.00	493.50
FUND 27 Receipts Res.for Appropri.					
Sale of Cemetery Lots (27-4-491-000)		300.00	300.00	300.00	
offset - Excess Lottery (27-4-661-000)	8,078.00		8,078.00	4,699.94	3,378.06
Funded by Carryover (27-4-999-901)		19,463.27	19,463.27		19,463.27
Free Cash Offset (27-4-999-903)	310,795.14		310,795.14	183,767.00	127,028.14 \$
TOTAL FUND 27:	318,873.14	19,763.27	338,636.41	188,766.94	149,869.47
FUND 28 SCHOOL GRANTS					
#240 Sped Assist 94-142 (28-4-304-000)		8,448.54	8,448.54	8,448.54	
rBusiness Fund for Arts (28-4-310-000)		325.00	325.00	325.00	
After School Program (28-4-560-304)		12,645.00	12,645.00	12,645.00	

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Fund Number / Revenue Account		Estimated Revenue	Revenue Revisions	Revised Estimated Rev.	Actual Revenue	Balance
Early Childhood Tuition (28-4-560-305)			38,928.00	38,928.00	38,928.00	
Damaged School Books (28-4-560-306)			118.15	118.15	118.15	
School Building Use (28-4-560-307)			262.75	262.75	262.75	
rev Helstowski Donations (28-4-560-313)			100.00	100.00	100.00	
rNature's Classroom (28-4-560-314)			3,481.50	3,481.50	3,481.50	
rDog Fund - School (28-4-560-315)			550.59	550.59	550.59	
rXeric Computer Donation (28-4-560-316)			10,490.00	10,490.00	10,490.00	
Funded by Carryover (28-4-999-901)			15,005.29	15,005.29		15,005.29
TOTAL FUND 28:		0.00	90,354.82	90,354.82	75,349.53	15,005.29
FUND 29 Miscellaneous Special Rev						
rPeer to Peer Grant (29-4-122-120)			850.00	850.00	850.00	
rBerkshire Gas Legal (29-4-151-990)		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00	
Cons. Comm. Filing Fees (29-4-171-000)			40.00	40.00	40.00	
C.O.P.S. More - rev. (29-4-210-681)			10,769.24	10,769.24	10,769.24	
Cops F.A.S.T. (29-4-210-683)			19,230.76	19,230.76	19,230.76	
Cruiser Fees for Details (29-4-210-845)			1,623.50	1,623.50	1,623.50	
rFY99 D.A.R.E. (29-4-211-099)			7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	
rFY99 Community Policing (29-4-212-099)			16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00	
rDWI/Speeding/Seatbelts (29-4-213-099)			1,020.68	1,020.68	1,020.68	
rWater Truck Ins. (29-4-450-099)			1,851.58	1,851.58	1,851.58	
rMRF Mini Grant (29-4-510-000)		250.00		250.00	250.00	
Council on Aging (29-4-541-000)			2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	
Library L.I.G. (29-4-610-330)			1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	
Library MEG (29-4-610-331)			402.33	402.33	402.33	
Non Res. Circulat. Grant (29-4-610-332)			209.59	209.59	209.59	
Lib.-Lions Club Donations (29-4-610-834)			1,388.97	1,388.97	1,388.97	
Lib.-General Donations (29-4-610-835)			318.51	318.51	318.51	
r Lib.Lost,Damaged Books (29-4-610-836)			5.00	5.00	5.00	
revSummer Reading Program (29-4-610-837)			600.00	600.00	600.00	
Funded by Carryover (29-4-999-901)			28,619.51	28,619.51		28,619.51
TOTAL FUND 29:		6,250.00	93,579.67	99,829.67	71,210.16	28,619.51
FUND 30 Capital Projects						
Bond Proceeds-Fire Truck (30-4-910-220)		220,000.00		220,000.00		220,000.00
TOTAL FUND 30:		220,000.00	0.00	220,000.00	0.00	220,000.00
FUND 82 EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
Int. Barnard Church Fund (82-4-101-820)			53.61	53.61	53.61	
Int. Davenport School/Pr (82-4-102-820)			99.06	99.06	99.06	
Int. Whately Grange Monu (82-4-103-820)			5.66	5.66	5.66	
Int. Ambulance Replacemen (82-4-231-820)			4.95	4.95	4.95	
Cemet Perp Care Principal (82-4-491-810)					450.00	(450.00)
Int. Cemetery Perp Care (82-4-491-820)			2,061.24	2,061.24	2,061.24	
Int.Dickinson Library (82-4-610-825)			6,331.02	6,331.02	6,331.02	
Int.Annie Danforth Librar (82-4-610-826)			52.42	52.42	52.42	
Int.J & J Maiewski Librar (82-4-610-827)			133.15	133.15	133.15	
Int.Paul Field Library (82-4-610-828)			785.81	785.81	785.81	
Int. S.W. Dickinson Aged (82-4-611-820)			313.76	313.76	313.76	
Ena Cane Bank Int. (82-4-612-820)			1,296.40	1,296.40	1,296.40	

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Fund Number / Revenue Account	Estimated Revenue	Revenue Revisions	Revised Estimated Rev.	Actual Revenue	Balance
Filipikowski bank int (82-4-613-820)		176.95	176.95	176.95	
Barker bank int (82-4-614-820)		13.68	13.68	13.68	
Trans.Audit Adj.from GF (82-4-971-002)	2,389.14		2,389.14	2,389.14	
Funded by Carryover (82-4-999-901)		100,232.97	100,232.97		100,232.97
TOTAL FUND 82:	2,389.14	111,560.68	113,949.82	14,166.85	99,782.97
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FUND 83					
Stab. Interest (83-4-820-000)		13,293.03	13,293.03	13,293.03	
Transfer from G.F. (83-4-971-000)		19,300.00	19,300.00	19,300.00	
Funded by Carryover (83-4-999-901)		254,742.78	254,742.78		254,742.78
TOTAL FUND 83:	0.00	287,335.81	287,335.81	32,593.03	254,742.78
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TTL OTHER FUND BALANCES:	662,370.28	662,346.01	1,324,716.29	492,043.72	832,672.57
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TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF WHATELY

The Fiscal Year for the Trustees of the Smith Charities runs from February 1 through January 31st. The following report by the Trustees presented at their Annual Meeting on May 5, 1999 reflects the figures through January 31, 1999.

During the past year fifty-four tradespersons were enrolled. Loans of \$600 each were made to twenty-seven apprentices; the notes of twenty-six tradespersons have been surrendered and the benefit of \$600 granted to each. Five student nurses have enrolled under the Nurses' Program; seven nurses who earned their degree have received the nurse's gift of \$600. Sixty-four widows have been paid and seventy-seven brides have received the marriage gift of \$100 each. Twenty-six tradespersons and six nurses received an additional distribution of \$1,350 each. The total sum disbursed as gifts to beneficiaries was \$111,511 which includes \$16,544 that was paid to the City of Northampton for the account of Smith's Agricultural School, being the net income from the permanent fund established for the school. Additionally, \$42,456 was placed in the Reserved for Beneficiaries account.

Since provision of the Will went into effect, the beneficiaries of the nine communities have been paid:

*Tradespersons	\$2,467,000
**Nurses	738,833
Widows	1,508,182
***Brides	1,453,300
Smith's Agricultural School	1,333,620
Annuities	35,374
Taxes	613,717
Total Payments	<hr/> \$8,150,026

*Originally designated in the Will as Indigent Boys

**Originally designated in the Will as Indigent Female Children

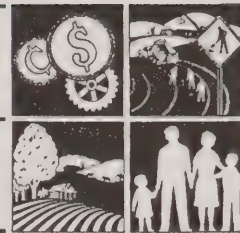
***Originally designated in the Will as Indigent Young Women

During the remaining 11 months, through December 1999, the following disbursements have been made: 5 nurses received \$600 each, totalling \$3,000; 26 tradespersons received \$600 each, totalling \$15,600; 68 widows received a total of \$25,075; 80 brides received \$100 each totalling \$8,000. In addition 26 tradespersons and 7 nurses received an additional distribution of \$1,300 each totalling \$42,900.

Edward R. Farrick, Elector
Under the Oliver Smith Will

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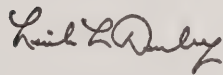
I am pleased to submit this annual report of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments for the 1999 calendar year. Through the year, the Franklin Regional Council of Governments has continued to work to provide our member towns, the 26 towns of Franklin County, with direct municipal assistance, local and regional planning, community health services, and a strong regional voice for our rural area. As an organization created by and for the communities we serve, we are committed to providing cost effective and reliable services that address the needs of our member municipalities. The assessments paid by our towns - \$331,000 in Fiscal Year 2000 - leverage an annual total of nearly \$2 million in grants and programs serving the region.

Over the year, our efforts have focused on regional forums and regional advocacy. We continue to urge our legislators to implement a plan that restores Chapter 90 to a \$150 million program and secures a stable and increasing fund of money for municipal road needs. We are working with our delegation to support legislation that better manages the beaver issue; recognizing both the property and financial damage beavers can cause while being sensitive to animal rights issues. We are drafting legislation to address issues regarding County roads. We sit on a statewide committee whose mission is to work with MassHighway to develop road design guidelines that are more sensitive to rural and community character. We are striving to have our regional voice heard in the review of Education Reform and the development of amendments to the law. We are working closely with our legislators to improve the telecommunications infrastructure in our region, which is vital to our economic health and future.

Through the year, the Franklin Regional Council of Governments has offered its member communities information sessions and training opportunities on a wide variety of subjects of interest including open meeting law, public records law, ethics law, employment law, and the development of personnel policies. We have collaborated with state offices such as the Department of Environmental Protection and the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau to deliver training opportunities that assist the work of municipal boards and officials. Upcoming trainings in the planning stages include a four-part series on municipal financial management and a session on contract and procurement law.

The programs of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments have continued and expanded in the past year. The Planning Department is developing a regional open space plan, is beginning a three-year process of completing build-out analyses for all Franklin County towns, offers comprehensive transportation planning services, facilitates a program that prioritizes and advocates for federal funding for important economic development projects, and is managing a loan program that is funding the cleanup of regional brownfield sites. Several new grants have expanded our Community Health and Education programs to include a teen substance abuse prevention effort and a program that provides free home safety assessments to area residents. The Council also continues to offer fee-for-service programs in health inspection, procurement, engineering, and resource development that give municipal officials a straightforward way of purchasing technical services that they need.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all Council Representatives and other appointed board and committee members of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments who take a primary role in developing the work we do. It is a pleasure to serve the efforts of the towns of the region.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Linda L. Dunlavy".

Linda L. Dunlavy, Executive Director

January 2000

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
WHATELY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

As I prepare my seventh annual report of the Whately Elementary School, I am reminded that our continuing progress as an educational institution is a function of the concerted commitment of time, effort and energy demonstrated by the parents, faculty, staff, School Committee and Administration. By working together, they have established a standard of care and expectation for student success that renews my appreciation for what excellence in education is really all about.

During the last several years, the elementary schools comprising the Union #38 School District have continued to focus upon curriculum revision, instructional adaptations, and the measurement of student outcomes. In part, this effort has been driven by the rigorous and challenging demands addressed in the Commonwealth's Education Reform Act of 1993. Subsequent to the enactment of this legislation, the Massachusetts Board of Education has approved seven so-called Curriculum Frameworks and instituted a sophisticated student assessment program known as the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS).

In light of these developments, we have vigorously attended to our responsibility to align local expectations in English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies and Science with these new state expectations. If the performance of fourth grade students on MCAS last Spring is any indication of our success in this regard, then we are doing rather well. Overall, Union #38 School District students scored in the top one-third among all participating school districts in the state. Although these results are encouraging, there is still much to be done in terms of sustaining a high level of student performance over time. In fact, beginning with the Class of 2003, all students will be required to pass the English and Mathematics tests in order to receive a high school diploma. The stakes are indeed high.

During the 1999-2000 school year, students at Frontier Regional School were engaged in taking full advantage of the new space, technology and course offerings that is now available at Frontier Regional School. In addition, the school began and continues to be engaged in its preparation for the New England Association of Schools and Colleges Accreditation review next Fall. This is an extremely important event in the life of the school since it provides all of us with an opportunity to highlight the progress that Frontier Regional School has made since the last accreditation review in 1990. We are confident that commendations will constitute the bulk of the Association's commentary.

As I stated at the outset, the success of our schools is really a function of how well people work together. With that in mind, I would be remiss if I did not also acknowledge the contribution of Principal Donald Skroski who has been at the forefront of providing positive leadership to ensure that all children receive the best possible education.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Welch, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

WHATELY SCHOOL REPORT

Ms. Luanne LaRose, Chair
Whately School Committee
Whately, MA 01093

Dear Ms. LaRose:

I respectfully submit the 1999 Annual Report for the Whately Elementary School.

WHATELY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

TERM EXPIRES

Luanne LaRose, Chair	2001
Mr. Richard Smith, Member	2000
*Ms. Martha Goodridge, Member	2002

*Representative to the Frontier Regional School Committee

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent	John J. Welch, Ed.D.
Business Manager	Donald M. Scott
Special Education Director	William Hickey, Ed.D.
Administrative Secretary	Judy Wood
Administrative Secretary	Mary Ann Gagen
Special Education Secretary	Diana Capuano
Bookkeeper/Receptionist	Brenda Rotkiewicz
Bookkeeper, Union #38	Paula Light
Bookkeeper, Grants	Stephan Shepherd
Principal	Donald Skroski
Secretary	Deborah J. Coons

WHATELY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ENROLLMENT - OCTOBER 1, 1999

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
pre K	7	6	13
K	14	6	20
1	8	9	17
2	8	10	18
3	7	8	15
4	6	10	16
5	4	13	17
6	13	8	21
TOTAL	67	70	137

UNION #38 TEACHERS' SALARY SCHEDULE
CONWAY, DEERFIELD, SUNDERLAND, WHATELY

September 1, 1999 - August 31, 2000

STEP	B	B+15	M	M+15	M+30
1	26,499	27,328	28,183	29,062	29,970
2	27,328	28,183	29,062	29,970	30,907
3	28,183	29,062	29,970	30,907	31,873
4	29,062	29,970	30,907	31,873	32,869
5	29,970	30,907	31,873	32,869	33,897
6	30,907	31,873	32,869	33,897	34,954
7	31,873	32,869	33,897	34,954	36,047
8	32,869	33,897	34,954	36,047	37,173
9	33,897	34,954	36,047	37,173	38,337
10	34,954	36,047	37,173	38,337	39,532
11	36,047	37,173	38,337	39,532	40,768
12	37,173	38,337	39,532	40,768	42,042
13	38,337	39,532	40,768	42,042	43,358
14	40,940	42,176	43,695	45,010	46,792
20L	41,440	42,676	44,195	45,510	47,292

Placement on Step 20L occurs when an individual has completed 19 years of service as a teacher in the school district.

Nature's Classroom Teacher: \$250 per teacher unit.

Workshop Presenters: \$25 per hour of presentation and reimbursement for reasonable expenses.

Head Teachers: \$375

FINANCIAL REPORT

TOWN OF WHATELY
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

SUMMARY OF
BUDGET RELATED EXPENDITURES

JULY 1, 1998 - JUNE 30, 1999

CATEGORY	REGULAR EDUCATION	SPECIAL EDUCATION	TOTAL
1000 ADMINISTRATION	\$ 37,825.00	\$ 5,939.00	\$ 43,764.00
2000 INSTRUCTION	507,577.00	59,071.00	566,648.00
3000 OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	38,242.00	190.00	38,432.00
4000 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	101,426.00	-0-	101,426.00
5000 FIXED CHARGES	8,288.00	-0-	8,288.00
6000 COMMUNITY SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-
7000 ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS	1,925.00	-0-	1,925.00
9000 PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS	-0-	10,279.00	10,279.00
TOTALS	\$ 695,283.00	\$ 75,479.00	\$ 770,762.00

FRONTIER SCHOOL REPORT

Mr. Elvery Veal, Chairman
Frontier Regional School District Committee
South Deerfield, MA 01373

Dear Mr. Veal:

I respectfully submit the 1999 Frontier Regional School Annual Report.

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Elvery Veal, Chair, Sunderland	2002
William Smith, Secretary, Whately	2000
John Wholey, Conway	2001
John Bowman, Deerfield	2000
Thomas Scanlon, Deerfield	2002
*John Rioux, Conway	2000
*Mary Ramon, Deerfield	2000
*Diane Gumaer, Sunderland	2000
*Martha Goodridge, Whately	2000

*Representing the local Elementary School Committees for one-year term.

Regular meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, in the Media Center, Frontier Regional School, South Deerfield, Massachusetts at 7:30 p.m.

ADMINISTRATION

John J. Welch, Ed.D.	Superintendent of Schools
Donald M. Scott	Business Manager/Treasurer
William Hickey, Ed.D.	Special Education Director
Patricia Stachelek	Frontier Regional Bookkeeper
Stephan Shepherd	Grants Bookkeeper
Judith Wood	Administrative Secretary
Mary Ann Gagen	Administrative Secretary
Diana Capuano	Special Education Secretary
Martin Leggott	Interim Principal
Paul Goodhind	Assistant Principal
Kelly Blanchette	Secretary
Debbie Mason	Secretary
Robertta Reiter	Secretary
Evelyn Kaweck	Guidance Secretary

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL
ENROLLMENT - OCTOBER 1, 1999

Grade	Conway	Deerfield	Sunderland	Whately	Tuition Students	Total
7	17	58	29	22	1	127
8	18	59	27	17	3	124
9	20	45	18	14		97
10	17	43	25	17	3	105
11	17	39	13	18	4	91
12	19	54	24	16	2	115
Total	108	298	136	104	13	659

FRONTIER REGIONAL

SALARY SCHEDULE

September 1999- June 2000

STEP	B	M	M+30
1	25,745	27,090	28,745
2	26,946	28,242	29,834
3	28,332	29,472	30,963
4	29,508	30,728	32,130
5	30,235	32,032	33,339
6	31,294	33,057	34,563
7	32,113	34,141	35,861
8	33,495	35,230	37,046
9	34,380	36,349	38,238
10	35,289	37,265	39,965
11	37,045	39,382	41,742
12	38,987	41,663	43,574
13	39,634	43,200	45,585
14	41,176	44,796	47,218
20L	41,676	45,296	47,718

Placement on Step 20L occurs when an individual has completed 19 years of service as a Frontier Regional School faculty member.

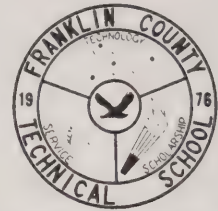
FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL

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Frederick H. Green, III
Superintendent-Director



1999 Annual Report

We are pleased to submit the annual report of the administration of the Franklin County Technical School. The significant events that have transpired during the past year are noted. The October 1, 1999 enrollment was as follows:

Bernardston	22	Deerfield	22	Heath	7	Northfield	19	Warwick	8
Buckland	12	Erving	7	Leyden	6	Orange	71	Wendell	7
Colrain	30	Gill	3	Montague	68	Shelburne	9	Whately	7
Conway	18	Greenfield	130	New Salem	10	Sunderland	10	Non-District	22

Our work experience and cooperative work programs continue to expand and be an effective method for job placement of our students. In June 1999, 85 students graduated and their placement record was as follows:

Entered Work Force	59	Entered College	20	Entered Military	6
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Student Award Highlights:

University of Massachusetts Scholars: William Jerome, Gabriel McGuigan

Outstanding Vocational Technical Student: William Jerome

Superintendent's Certificate of Academic Excellence: William Jerome

Franklin County Rotary Club Most Improved Students Awards: Jayson McNamara; Angela Adams-Spofford; William Johnson; Joseph Cowburn; Amie Tardy; Jonathan Hardy; Nicole Blake; Tyson Spencer; Jon-Paul Tinker; Benjamin Byrne; Kimberly Charette; Michael Chilmark; Adam Disciullo.

FCTS Girls Softball Tri-County League Co-Champions.

FCTS Girls Basketball Team received the Franklin County Board of Officials Sportsmanship Award.

All League Awards - Girls Basketball – Stephanie Wilkes, Sabrina Fernet. **Boys Basketball** – Ed Morley, Brad Curtis. **Golf** – William Jerome. **Softball** – Sarah Bates, Maria Rubinaccio, Sabrina Fernet. **Track** – Tyson Spencer, Joel Disciullo, Adam Disciullo, Brad Curtis. **Football** – Tony Rubinaccio, Rich Wilder. **Soccer** – Ryan Killeen.

All Western Mass. Award - Sabrina Fernet, Softball.

Although we did not take on a major community project in the fall of 1999, our vocational programs remained active in the community throughout the year. The Beacon Housing Program was completed in June of 1999. Other completed projects include the stage for the Sunderland Elementary School, the sign for the Whately Transfer Station, the wiring of the new T.V. station at Mohawk Trail Regional School, the raising of water pipes at Powers Institute in Bernardston, and the refurbishing of the landscaping at Veteran's Mall in Greenfield. We also constructed bat racks for the Greenfield Girls' Softball League, fabricated grill components for the Rotary Club booth at the Franklin County Fair and also a road/gate for the Sunderland Parks and Recreation Commission. On-going projects include the airport project at Turners Falls, the construction of signs for the Newton Elementary School and the Christian Fellowship of Greenfield, as well as the production of a cookbook for the Shelburne Senior Center.

In conclusion, we would like to express our gratitude to the entire educational community of Franklin County Technical School and to all the residents of the County for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Cliff Fournier
School Committee Chairman

Frederick H. Green, III
Superintendent-Director



ACCREDITED MEMBER NEW ENGLAND ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES, INC.

TOWN DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire, Ambulance, Police

911

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

<i>Department</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Phone</i>
Assessors	Town Hall	665-3470
Board of Health & Health Agent	Center School	665-8051
Animal Control Officer		665-8027
Emergency Management	Center School	665-4400
FAX for Center School		665-9560
FAX for Town Hall		665-3470
Highway Department		665-2983
Inspection Services		
Building	Courthouse	772-2026
Plumbing & Gas	Courthouse	772-5878
Wiring	Courthouse	774-5623
Police (non-emergency)	Center School	625-8200
Schools:		
Whately Elementary		665-7826
Frontier Regional		665-2118
Franklin County Technical		863-9561
Selectmen	Center School	665-4400
S. White Dickinson Library	Library	665-2170
Town Collector/Treasurer	Town Hall	665-2595
Town Clerk	Center School	665-0054
Town Accountant	Town Hall	665-2595
Water Department	Center School	665-3080

OFFICE HOURS

Assessors	Mondays 10 A.M. – 9 P.M., Tuesdays 10 A.M. – 5 P.M.
Library	Mondays and Wednesdays 10 A.M. – 5 P.M. and 6 – 8 p.m. Saturdays 9 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Selectmen	Monday – Friday 9 A.M. – 4 P.M.
Town Clerk	Tuesdays – Noon – 7 P.M. Thursdays – 9 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Town Collector	Mondays – Thursdays 9:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M. Mondays 7 – 9 P.M.
Transfer Station	Tuesday, Noon – 5 P.M. Saturdays 7 A.M. – 5 P.M.